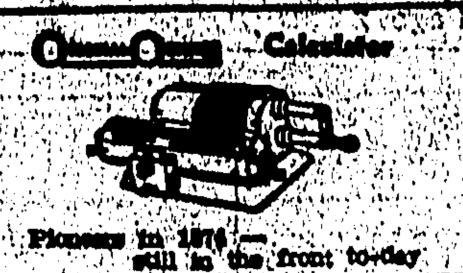




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# COMMENT OF

# Squatter Fires

N a little over a month there have been no less than six squatter fires. About 1,200 huts have gone up in smoke and about 9,000 people have been made homeless. Individually the fires were comparatively small ones but, as the figures show. their total destruction over a period was about equal to that caused by a major blaze. Granted six fires in 40 days is an abnormally high figure. But the immediate cause of concern is: are these fires going to continue at the same rate in the New Year? If so Hongkong is going to have a nightmare problem on its hands for, naturally, the building of new housing for the victims cannot possibly keep pace with the fires and the Colony will simply have an ever-growing population of literally homeless people on its hands, destitute, hungry, miserable and in many cases unemployed. The beggar population appears to be growing larger every week and that's only natural for if the squatter fires destroy the homes they also destroy many "cottage industries"

have grown areas. little over a month ago in this column we deployed the people in Hongkong wno believe that the distribution of aid and comforts to the (bedding, free arson. We still deplore that belief-although it becoming more prevalent action it would amount to prejudging the cause of could be proved it would vote. still constitute a flagrant discrimination against the abnormally high figure of

nix fires in 40 days suggests troops into Western defence. that the recent conflagraconclude that they were something more than a up in flames and people dying ly since the debate started and losing all their possessions | 11 days ago. is that although the Police up to now. A number of Cabinet. way of advertising to others between 20 and 30 votes. this contemptible kind of the dinner adjournment which crime doesn't pay.

able locally and overseas:

# CRUCIAL VOTE POSTPONED

# But Tragedy Followed A New Triumph

# MOTION CONFIDENCE

Paris, Dec. 30. The French National Assembly last night put off until this afternoon its crucial vote on West German rearmament, but it gave the Go ernment a vote of confidence, by 287 to 256, on a treaty admitting the Germans to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

The Premier, M. Pierre Mendes-France, will have to wait until 4 p.m. GMT today for the key vote on which he has staked the life of his

Government. A last-minute procedural snag wrecked his hopes of getting the treaty through last night after an 11-day debate, when the Deputies seemed within a hair's breadth of taking a vote.

On the proposal of the Speaker, the Assembly accepted the ruling of the Steering Committee that the bill having been changed by the withdrawal of one of its clauses, a further 24 hours was necessary before the vote of confidence on the amended bill could properly be taken.

passed later tonight.

solidarity.

posiponed, Communist deputies deputies from all groups, except tonight reads: rushed the news vutsice to the Communists, tabled a motion C.mmunist demonstrators, who to be adopted after the two concynical thinking of many gleefully sang the "Marseillaise," France's national anthem.

Inside, the frustrated Premier demanded an immediate vote on the NATO treaty. He said he wanted the world to see that meals, etc.) only encourages France was at least pressing forward with the question of he Paris agreements.

The Assembly gave him the every week-because if we vote though the majority in European cohesion and untiring resorted to that kind of favour of the Government was smaller than when the same question was voted on last Monday. In got a majority of every fire which would be 38 then compared to 31 last grossly presumptuous and, night, French Parliamentary even if wide-scale arson procedure called for a second

# KEY VOTE

The vote today is the key majority of innocent suffer- one. It is on the Paris treaty ers. But certainly the bringing West Germany into the Western European Union and putting half a million The Assembly rejected this tions were a little more than | treaty by 280 votes to 259 in a a coincidence and it would pre-dawn vote on Christmas hardly be presumptuous to eve. M. Mendes-France put it back to the Deputies after

nominally rewriting it. Reuter's chief Paris correschapter of unfortunate pondent Harold King reported: accidents. What is even more The debate started off in an maddening than watching atmosphere of serenity which hundreds of filmsy huts going and not been observed previous-

The cutstanding feature of themselves suspect arson in at the debate up to the time of least two of the six recent the dinner adjournment was a cases, the perpetrators of these notable speech by French vile acts have not been Socialist leader, M. Guy Moilet, to justice—even who came out in favour of the though "intensive investign- Paris agreements in the strongtions" have been carried out est possible terms. He was the authorities. Why? applauded by the Premier al-That's something we'd like to though it was M. Mollet, who know. If the Police hope to was responsible in the begindespicable ning of November for preventcreatures they will have to be ing the Socialist Party from smarter than they have been joining the Mendes-France

courses within generally ac- FAVOURABLE, FORECASTS. cepted Police practice offer Forcests centinued to be themselves for serious study. favourable. It was expected And when the instigators are that the confidence vite on caught they deserve severe German rearmament will be penalties. For that is the only adopted by a small majority of with similar intentions that A move was made just before

was interpreted as a sign that a

Iomorrow

The full text of the Deputies When the assembly committee favourable voto was now conruled that the vote would be indently expected. A number of motion tabled in the Assembly

reinforcement of

search for international under-

Parents Tested The

Young Mr France

The Bible

The Apple And

The Coin

A story is going around

Paris about a test to

which the present French

Mendes-France, was sub-

His parents found their

son so bright — what

parents do not — that

they decided on the fol-

llowing experiment. They

shut him up in a room

with a bible, an apple and

a gold coin. Should he

pick up the bible and

read it, his parents were

to make a priest out of

the apple, he would be-

pocketted the gold coin,

the was to be a business-

later, his parents entered

the room to find their son

reading the bible and eat-

ing the apple while the

gold coin had disappeared

The parents were at a

loss what decision to take

on the future of their son

but the old grandfather.

into his pocket.

A quarter of an hour

Should he prefer to ent

Premier. M.

jected when he

Paris, Dec. 29.

"At the end of the debate, the object of which has posed grave problems of conscience to fidence votes connected with the French patriots, the National Paris agreements have been Assembly desires to reaffirm its indissoluble attachment to the fundamental and indivisible This motion is a general reprinciples of French policy, and affirmation of the National Assembly "indissoluble attachment attachment which cannot be called into question by any to the fundamental and indifferences about the methods of divisible principles of French application of this policy: policy-maintenance of Atlantic

(1) The maintenance of the solidarity of the members of the Atlantic Community, pasis of their recurity;

(2) The reinforcement of the cohesion of Europe. and peace:

ference as soon as the preparation for such a conadvenced.

"The National Assembly renews its determination to do everything in order to ensure the establishment between all nations of a definitive peace assured by the simultaneous and controlled reduction armements." — Reuter United Press.

# 11,000 Car Workers

Coventry, Dec. 29. Eleven thousand employees of the General Motor Company (Standard Cars) decided today to strike from morning in protest against officials and the suspension of nine men.

The officials were dismissed and the men suspended in dispute over the transfer of work from one factory to another. The company stated that

two shop stewards (union organisers) were sacked for attending on unofficial meeting and a union convenor was disinissed for oddressing a meeting without permission. REMAIN SACKED

The statement said the nine men were suspended "for fall-The Big. Popular Feature-packed Saturday Mail will be on come a farmer. If he ing to undertake the work for A company spokesman said the management would negotiate over the suspensions when the strikers returned. Ho added: "Those sacked will "remain sacked."

Thoushop slowards claimed they had been premised support in the docks where standard products would ant be immilied. The company priduces 440 cars, and 280

Mild Weather At Home

but the old grandfather, who was a wise man, said, sai

# JUST LOVES JAZZ!



Jazz has no greater convert than Lilian, the pedigree Friesian, watching with bovine interest as Philip Pickerill tunes into her favourite programme on his father's farm at Hopton, Staffordshire. In fact, Lil is so addicted to jazz that when the radio set broke down recently, the milk yield dropped until it was repaired. Philip's father, Joseph Pickerill, installed the radio in his cowsheds because he is con-

vinced it soothes his pedigree herd and increases their milk yield.—Reuterphoto.

# Britain's Top Box Office Star In 1954



London, Dec. 80. American screen star, Alan Ladd, and the British comedy. "Doctor in the House," were the top cinema box office attractions in Britath in 1954. according to the annual poll of film exhibitors organised by the Motion Picture Herald, results of which are announced

Killed In

Alabams, Dec. 29.

C-119 flying box car

with 11 Air, Force men

aboard crashed into a

mountain in the Tennesse

Valley Lake region today.

Two others survived but

were injured in desperate

low-level parachute leaps.

The big two-engined

aircraft, with lite box-like

troop - carrying . funciage

suspended between twin

talls, hit a "bump" in a

high-altitude storm and

began a sharp bucking

descent, the survivors re-

Doors Torn Off

sky tore off both rear

doors of the plane. Air-

men Michael Kinnane and

Robert Johnson were able

cither in getting out of the

plane or in his landing in

the densely-wooded hills.

Both men were reported

not seriously injured, how-

ever.—United Press.

initial fold in the

ported.

openings.

Johnson.

Nine men were killed.

Guntersville,

Air Crash

The 4,465 exhibitors, who took part in the survey, voted Jack Hawking as the top moneymaking British star.

## HAWKING FIFTH

In the international list Alan Lodd is followed by James Stowart, Crogory Peck, duc Martin and Lowis Jack Howkins takes Atth place in this

The only actress in the first ten is Doris Day, number eight on the list. The other places go to Danny Kaye, sixth, Burt Lancaster, seventh, Dirk Brogade, night, and Norman Wisdom, tenth.

In the list of British stars who have appeared in Britishmade films. Jack Hawkins is followed by Dirk Bogarde, Norman Wisdom, Glynla Johns, Kenneth More. Alec Guiness. Anthony Steel, Ronald Shiner, Richard Todd and John Mills.

to escape through the door In its survey of box: office draws in Britain the poli gave "I broke my leg and got the first three places to British cut about the head trying films: after Doctor in the to reach the door," said House" came "Trouble in Store" and "The Belies of St Trinians." two other comedies. Kinnane was also hurt.

After" (British),-Reuter.

TURPLE PLAIN PICKED The fourth 'was "The Glenn Miller Story' followed by "Knockon Wood", "Calamity Jane," "The Caine Mutiny." ""On the Waterfront." "The Pumple Plain" (British) and "Happy Ever

# 1,000 FLEE FROM 'ROCKING' ISLAND

# Earthquakes And Eruptions Shake Mediterranean Group

Messina, Sicily, Dec. 29. Terror-stricken inhabitants of tiny Salina Island fled in panic to the Sicilian mainland tonight when a new day of violent earthquakes rocked the island.

of two extinct volcanoes, which huddled in groups near the

the Coast Guard launches and yards fo the cast of the progressive unification of fishing boats ferricd more than I flaming lava stream. which is a factor of progress 1,000 weeping women, children internationally famous Angelo and old men away from the Cumin, director of the Catania (3) The untiring search recking 10-square-mile island. Volcanology Institute, said the for international relaxation of The volcanic island of Stromboli the volcano-carthquako comtension through the channels flamed in a dangerous ecuption bination bore all the hallmarks of diplomatic negotiations 20 miles to the east. Scientists of the disaster of 1927. and by a four-power con- said Stromboli was the feest point In 1927 Stromboli crupted of the hevoc.

The 1,000 who fied to Sicily south on the Sicilian mainland. ference has been sufficiently left behind 700 young men and also was roused. Salina was landowners who clung doggedly then the hardest-hit sisland, although human habitations were to their homeland. wiped out over the whole of the

'DIE WITH OUR ISLAND' "If this is the and of our Lipari Island group." island, we will die with it," they told Italian officials who tried reported on Salina or Stromboli to persuade them to leave. All through the day, as on suffered minor injuries. Monday, a series of violent tremors shook the island and rocks crashed down the slopes

form the island, and spleshed shore. They feared to go inland where rocks and masonry fell into the usa. Red Cross officials said there and huge cracks were opening was no house left habitable on in the ground. Salina.

SHIPS STAND BY ships, capable of evacuating able to Salina. If the earth-Two big Italian Coast Guard the 700 who stayed behind, waited offshore. They kept communication Messina , and Palermo,

Sicilian capital. The Coast Guard ships made |. intermittent trips to Stromboli where lave was pouring so eight o'clock tomorrow rapidly down the well-worn "valley of fire" into the sea that experts on the spot prothe dismissal of two union claimed it a major cruption. The Stromboli lava . flowed

sizzling into the scarat 12 miles an hour. It drove out the 150 inhabitants, of the fishing village of Ginostra llocated 200

# Picture:



# The Paris Metro Gets A Perfume Spray

So far no deaths have been

But uncounted scores of people

700 WAIT

The 700 Ashermen and pea-

A police radio sending Morse

messages to the mainland was

the only communication evall-

to sound the alarm for the

Sicilian authorities to enforce a

total evacuation.—United Press.

sants who remained on Salina

But Smells Just The Same

Paris, Dec. 29. A trial spraying of the city's underground subway system with Paris perfumes began today -- but an initial poll of travellers elicited the universal reaction that "the Metro still smells the same."

Officials of the Metro system have decided to fight its sometimes i holsome , aroma , by installing jet stream vaporisers on the rear end of trains on two main lines.

On the Vincennes-Neuilly East-West line, the deciorant ch cen was based on an unidentified brand of Eau da Cologne. On this ... Oricons-Clignancourt North-South line, stations were douged with "Effikves du Pin" or pine trugrance.

MORE EXPERIMENTS All station masters and conductors received detailed sheets. of instructions on the experiment today ... Each time, the doors are opened by the press Ing of a liuiton, a jet strama. edomiser bethes the station in

The station makers who were

# Only the NEW

ALL THESE ADVANTABLE !

SINCE TERMINETALES!

string and all the regular tip-bits you like to read when the time engine to but your allocated feet up for the evening.

Because of the New Year holiday, the Saturday Mail

will be published tomorrow (instead of Saturday) with a

full range of the latest and most popular features avail-

sale after il a.m. . There will be no China Mail on Saturday

picks her "Ten Best Films of the Year". That will appear on

of Fleat Street gives like Arst report on a remarkable mission. . . .

to find out from Britain's top experts what lies dhead in the Age

Hongy, Bull. Writes: "Pity the men who must accept honours."

shouping hapedition, make gure your well-groomed best

because It is Repaid in Cerater attention and Brt-

of the Atom. Don't mile IS THERE ANY HOPE FOR MANY

Page 2 in addition to her weekly review of current films chowing

ATTRACTION NO. 1: Jane Roberts, China Mail film critic,

ATTRACTION NO. 2: Chapman Pincher, ace Science Writer

Lord Hallsham (who still rostels be is no longer Quintin

. Wille Anne Sharpley suggests that when you get cut on a

hi intendition to these first-class New Year features, the China Mail haustall ration of home and local pictures, cartoons, comic

but normal publication will be resumed on Monday.

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# Thousands Of Cars Stranded In Snowdrifts

# *DEATHS*

Chicago, Dec. 29.

Motorists were stranded in their ears along highways in

Tokas and Oklahoma. Many of them had been trapped for hours

and had exhausted the gasoline

\* A cold wave was slicing into

the eren with temperatures ex-

pected to plunge to 20 below zero

The Oklahoma State Police

said "thousands" of cars were

In add tien to spreading snow over a vast area of the Southwest and Middle West, the

stam sparked a 3,000-acre

thunderstorms and tornadoes

that injured 22 in Mississippi

flood of snow on New England.

and Alabama and dump**e**d a

Fort Scott, Kansas, was

smothered by 25 inches of

THUNDER & LIGHTNING

lightning storm hit Chicago

-but the downpour came

as snow, sleet and hall in-

into the heavily-populated North-

Party For

Espionage

Witnesses

today sent an urgent telegram to

the Prime Minister, Mr R. G.

the Royal Commission

Mr Edward Ward sent

was wortching the last day of

Guests at the party, held

Mr Ward asked Mr Menzies whether the event had been

names of guests and who invited

Dr Herbert Evatt, the Opposition leader has criticised the

party as "utterly opposed to basic and well recognised

British Films

In Spain

Madrid, Dec. 29.
Leading figures of the Spanish

cinema crowded the sessions of

documentary films held here by

had not been shown in Spain before, however, they attracted

the British Council.

much attention.

POP

week's display of British

The films included many made before World War II., As they

"Night Mail", made by the

WILLING TO

TALK TO THE

Post Office Film Unit in 1936,

was described by the Spanish

critic, Manuel Villegas, cs."
masterpiece of the wor
cinema."—China Mail Special.

Espionage and attended

Labour Opposition M.P.

Sydney, Dec. 29.

eastern States -- United Press.

A weird thunder-and-

stalled in Oklahoma alone.

needed to operate car heaters,

in the Northern plains,

The worst storm of the winter wrapped "thousands" of motorists in snowdrifts today and isolated entire towns as it flung snow, ice, freezing: rain and tornadoes across virtually the entire United States.

At least 15 deaths were blamed on the storm which was rolling northeastward across the Great Lakes region today. Two persons were injured as a result of a plane crash in Alabama that occurred in the midst of a series of violent squalls.

One man froze to death in New Mexico, another died of exposure in Texas, five died in weather-caused Oklahoma traffic accidents and another died in a traffic skid in Illinois.

# World's Best Dressed

# Woman

Chosen

New York, Dec. 28. The Duchess of Windsor forest the in California, spawned tied for second place with a motor executive's wife in the list of the 13 best dressed women of 1954 announced here today.

Britain's Princess Margaret snow. was voted into fourth place by fashion designers, fashion oditors, society writers and social leaders.

Queen Elizabeth of England and the Duchess of Kent were "near the first 13" and had



The Duchess was Second

many admirers among the experts, a spokesman of the New York Dress Institute - which conducted the poll - said. Mrs William Paley, wife of the President of the Columbia Broadcasting System, named the best dressed woman. Mrs Elsenhower, Lady Eden, wife of the British Foreign play in the Davis Cup Challenge Secretary, Mrs Loen Guinness Round. and Madame Pierre Mendes-France, wife of the French earlier this month, included Mr Premier, Marlene Dietrich and and Mrs Vladimir Petrov, the Madhme Chiang Kai-shok were Soviet witnesses at the inquiry. in the "near the chosen 13" set, though unplaced.

Queen Frederika of Greece held with his (Mr Menzice's) and actress Grace Kelly shared approval and whether any tax-12th place, both having been payers' money was involved. chosen for the first time.- He also wanted to know the Reuter.

Cairo, Dec. 29. The British Royal Air Force acrodreme of Shalufa on the judicial practice."-China Mail banks of the Suez Canal is to Special. be handed over to the Egyptian Air Force temorrow morning. The Shalufa base will be the first acrodrome to be handed over to the Egyptian authorities under the Anglo-Egyptian treaty for the British evacuation of the Suez Canal military zone .--France-Prosse.

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NEXT CHANCE THE ADVENTURES

The Duke of Kent, case in hand, and Princess Alexandra chatting on the platform at Liverpook Station when they left to join the Royal Family for Christmas at Sandringham,-Central Press Photo.

# An argument starts over 'Dickens' forge

THIS IS IT, SAY TWO CLAIMANTS London, Dec. 29.

The old forge at Chalk, Gravesend, which was closed some time ago, has always been considered to be the original Joe Gargery's forge made famous by Charles Dickens in Great Expectations.

at High Halstow, a village nine away. miles from Chalk.

the house support. his view. THE DOOR . . . Mr Lucry bases his claim

on the discovery during the reconstruction work of a doorway leading from the house to the adjoining forge. The forge has been converted into the. lounge of his house. In Dickens's novel young Pip,

after discovering the convict. Menzies, asking for details of a party given by the Secretary of Madgewick, in Cooking churchyard, ran to Gargery's house and stole a pie from the kitchen and a file from the forge which he reached by a door leading straight from the kitchen. telegram to the White City tennis courts, where Mr Menzies Mr Lacey thinks this door is the one found behind plaster work at Old Finge House. He

believes that the nine miles

between Cooling church and

big storm still had not hit the height of its fury. It appeared to be building up as it headed into the heavily-populated Market in the heavily-populated Mark

There is strong support for Mr Lacey contends that his the claim that Chalk is the new home was, in fact. Joe original Joe Gargery's forge. Gargery's forge. A number of Dickens spent his honeymoon,

Dickensians who have visited in the village at a house not far from the forge. He passed it nearly every day and frequently stepped to chat with the

-(London Express Service).



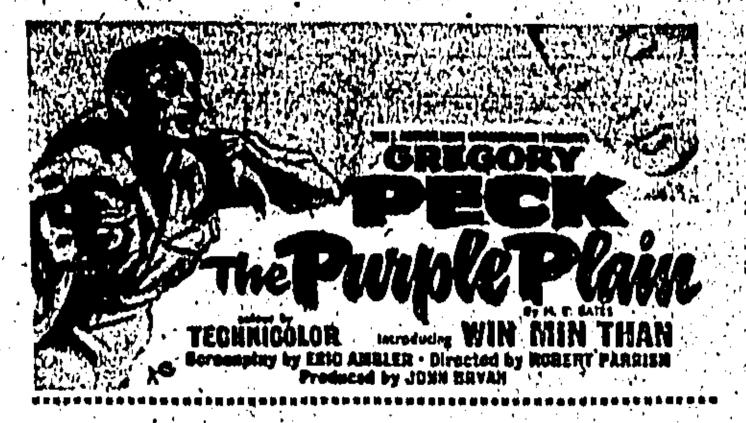
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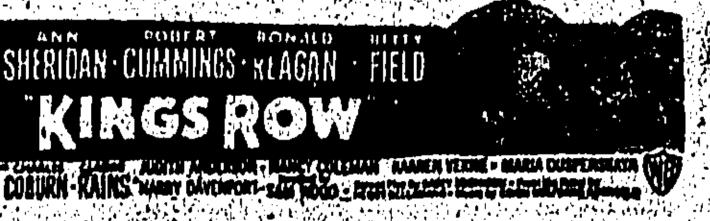
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# FIRCE ASSEMBLY BAILE



Milo Genevieve de Galard-Terraube

# U.S. Award For Mile de Galard

Washington, Dec. 29, Mademoiselle Genevieve de Galard-Terraube, the "Angel of Den Blen Phu" was chosen first among 10 persons for the 1954 "Awards of Distinction" by magazine "Mademolselle"

The magazine said that Mademoiselle de Gainrd-Terraubo, a nurse with the French Union troops during the Dien Bien Phu Battle of the Indo-China war, became the "symbol of hope" of the encircled French soldiers -France-Presse

# Buraimi Arbiters **Appointed**

Londan, Dec. 29. Great Britain and Saudi Arab a have thosen a Pakistani, a Belgian and a Cubin to decide whether the Buruini Oasis belonged to Saudi Arabia er was [ British-pr tected Oman.

Hessan, former Pakistan Minis- subate from a Gaullist, M. have been called to arbitrate raising for the future of France," the issue.

The Burnimi Oasis care started in 1952 when a Saudi Arabian l detachment occupied the area. A temporary settlement ensued on July 30, 1954 when the two countries agreed in Jeddah to have three neutral arbiters to give the final decision.

The interest of the Buraimi Oasis lies in the fact that oil may be in the region. For the time being, the Buralmi region has been divided into two

pany has obtained Saudi British oil companies have the home rule for Tunisia). same right in the southern part! of the region.—France-Presse,

ACROSS

1 Suffocate (6).

4 Templest (5).

A British Crossword Puzzle

E

Amidst Mr France Stormiest Session

COUNTRY

Paris, Dec. 29.

The opposition and enmity

often cuts clear ecross party lines,

throwing together Communists

and Gaullists who resist German

rearmament; with conservative

businessmen afraid of the Pre-

mier's economic reforms and

farmers who see their wine pro-

fits dwindling in the face of his

There is also a solid section

of nationalist deputies who

strongly oppose M. Mendes-

France on the grounds that he is

not sufficiently anti-Communist.

They contend that with the

introduction of atomic and

hydrogen weapons the vexed

question of German rearmament

is of minor importance. The

Premier, they say, should devote

more of his efforts to fighting

Communist influence in Western

LONE WOLF

able and devoted sides and

advisers, the constantly

divisions of the French

Premier virtually a lone

changing

political

Though surrounded by

trends

scene leave the

anti-alcoholism campaign.

M. Pierre Mendes-France, the French. "Man of the Year," is seeing out the remaining days of 1954 amidst the fiercest battle of his stormy political career.

Unflagging despite nearly two weeks of incessant diplomatic and parliamentary activity, he Is fighting with the same tenacity and dynamism he showed when he took office as Prime Minister seven months ago.

Whatever the merits or demerits of his achievements during that period, this stocky swarthy little man has left a mark on this country which would be difficult to crase.

Controversial, forceful often Community scheme could have blunt to the point of rudeness, been saved if M. Mendes-M. Mendes-France has carned | France had thrown his weight himself almost as many bitter | behind it.

enemies as fervent admirers. PUBLIC ENTHUSIASM

His appearances in the provinces have brought a degree of public enthusiasm which veteran French observers have rarely seen.

His weekly radio "firesido" chats, his press conferences and his frequent abandonment of protocol have won him widespread support among the youth and the professional classes who had long complained about the within the fauntiers of the gulf between political leaders and the people.

A Foreign Office so kerman | Recognition of this feeling said today that Mr Mahmond came during the recent days of ter to Syrin, Mr Charles de Gaston Palewski, who withdrew Visher of Belgium, former a motion to delay application of International Court Judge, and the Paris treaties on German Europe. Mr Ernesto de Debigo, a f rmer rearmament "because of the Culien permanent delegate to great hopes you (Mendesthe United Nations Assembly, France) have succeeded in

The Premier's opponents, inside and outside Parliament, are activated by mixed motives. There are those who are spiteful and lealous of his suc-

"SOLD OUT"

There are those who genuinely believe he "sold out" to the Communists in Indo-China and is now betraying French interests in South Vietnam to the

The American Arameo Com- North African protectorates of in breaking important appoint-Arabian permission to prospect from French control if he has the northern zone while two his way. (He has promised There are those who contend

> DOWN · WOTTE

1 Sent to the bottom (8).

2 Apes (8).

He shung public functions and Paris society life whenever possible. He has no gift for small talk, believing one should speak only when there is something important to say. Often he sits silent throughout a United States. diplomatic dinner and has been There are those who feel the criticised for lack of courtesy

Tunisia and Morocco will slip ments. He is an indefatigable worker and in i:is seven months in office has shown a natural talent that the European Defence for complicated diplomatic negotiations, and a grasp of world problems as complete as

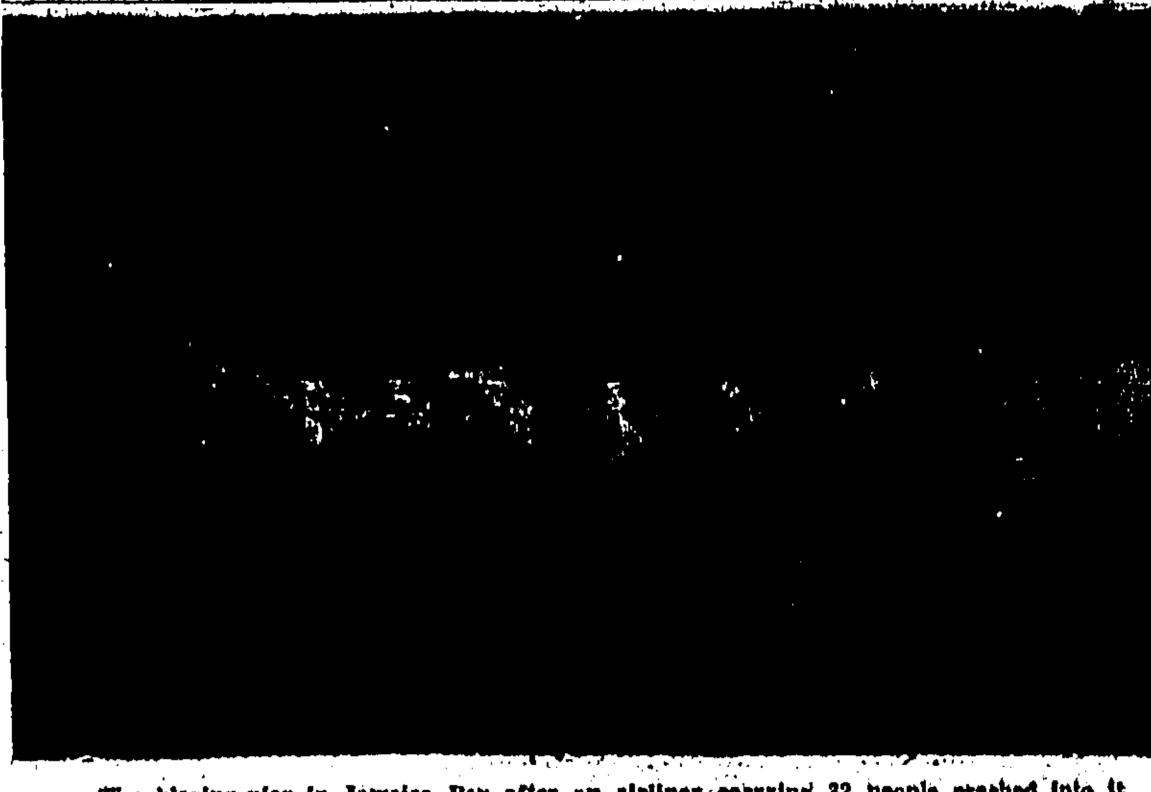
his life-long study of domestic What little time there is left over from his arduous dutiesand some critics say he has undertaken too many - he

devotes to his family life with his wife and two sons. THE FUTURE.

The future of M. Mendes-Franco is as unpredictable as was that of any of the 20 postwar Premiers who preceded him. There is a determined parliamentary campaign under way by various coalitions of his opponents to unseat him as soon as possible.

But most observers here are convinced that 'if he is overgotten and will prepare for a general elections.—Reliter.

# Anglo-French War Damage Agreement



The blosing pier in Jamaica Bay after an airliner entrying 32 people exacted into it when attempting to land at Idlewild Aisport, New York, The plane, which belonged to Italian Airlines, struck the pier and crashed into the sea in flames, 26 people were killed -Expresa Photo.

# HARRY LIKES **PRISON**

London, Dec. 29. Harry Marks, 62, today returned once again to the life he loves—in prison. He left the dock at the Balley, London's central criminal court, to start an 18 months' prison sentence for theft.

A detective - inspector said this of him: "He is a man who likes prison life. "He lives in common lodging houses. He tells me he likes to go to prison because it is only in prison that he gets the companionship which he does not get

in the outside world. "He commits petty crime to get into prison, especially around Christmas time. He has been in prison for seven or eight Christmasses."

He said Marks had 30 previous convictions, 15 for theft and the rest for wilful damore. But he had never committed any?

serious orime. "There is no harm in him at all," the detective said. "He is quite sano and is quite a decent sort of fellow really." — China Mall Special.

# Farmer Loved Dogs Too Well

Paris, Dec. 29. old farmer in Normandy, Father Arsene as he was called by his Angelo Pasetto, former Italian neighbours, had a bitch - legates that the principles of more than anything in the Press.

She had once saved his life. He was returning home, one winter night, when passing by a fell into icy water.

her chain. Running across the the New China News Agency or of his friend, ex-Vice Pre- the violin lessons. fields, she succeeded in finding reported. him and in pulling him out of the water. They came home also a sister of Madame Chiang tion of a Social Democrat soaked but heppy.

dogs arrived at a nearby farm and began running around thrown M. Mendes-France will Finette, the old man grew innot allow his name to be for- tensely jealous. When he came home one night Finette was not powerful comeback in the 1956 there. She has broken her chain again but, this time, to join the two dogs.

MAD WITH ANGER

The old man went there to find her frolicking with one of the dogs. Mad with anger he pulled out his knife and slew the dog.

The neighbour complained to the police who, altongly sus-An Anglo-French agreement him. They want to put me in

# Co-existence With Russia Impossible, Says British M.P.

Washington, Dec. 29. Mr John McGovern, a British M.P., said today that co-existence with Russia is like trying to coexist with a lion in a jungle.

"There is no co-existence in the jungle," Mr McGovern told the World Assembly for Moral Rearmament.

Some 500 persons representing 23 countries attended the huge conference dedicated to the proposition that moral reawakening and re-dedication is the only real solution to the troubles and hatred in the

world. Mr McGovern was, ousted from his long-time membership in the British Labour Party for supporting the Conservative Government on the nine-Power

European defence pact. He said he had found in moral re-armament a greater force for peace than is offered in politics.

"Politics cannot provide the principles of moral re-arm-

Messages of support from many countries were read to the conference.

Mayor Glannia Bartoll of Triesie sent his "warmest greetings for the success of your meeting and the irlumph of the world" of the movement's principles. His message was read by Mi Communist, who told the de-

GREETINGS

Finette -- of undetermined MRA helped to settle the exspecies, which he loved plosive Trieste question,-United London, Dec. 29.

widow of Sun Yat-sen, who a member of his household founded the first Chinese Re- said: "For the moment he appond, his foot slipped and he public in 1911, was elected Presi- pears to be a free man." dent of the Chinese-Soviet Warned by a mysterious Friendship Association at its Second National Conference could give no information about master was in danger and broke which closed in Peking today, the position either of Dedijer presented her carnings from

When, however, two shepherd | Nationalist leader,-Reuter.

# TREE

Air Crash

Belgrade, Dec. 29. Rebel Yugoslav Communist leader Vladmir Dedijer, awaiting trial on answer," he said. "The only a charge of spreading force that can provide the hostile propaganda, went answer is that we accept the out into crowded streets here today and bought his children a "New five Year" tree while the Government considered

> The burly six-footer, accompanied by his blonde wife, was seen by a passerby who gaged to Alan Smales she was said the crowds were too dense ordered to break it off, but she for him to see whether the refused to do so. One night couple were accompanied by Alan telephoned to say he was police agents.

thrown round Dedijer's subur- but Alan managed to gain ban villa to prevent him holding a promised Press conference after his parliamentary immunity was withdrawn yes-Madamo Soong Ching-ling, terday had vanished today and

A Government spokesman sident Milovan Djilas, who Madame Soong Ching-ling is last week called for the forma-Kai-shek, wife of the Chinese Party in Communist Yugoslavia, friends, the court was told .---Reuter.

# Belgrade Students Developing Independent Spirit

Belgrade, Dec. 29. Belgrade university students, traditionally opposed to the Government before World War II, have by a recent demonstration shown they are developing a spirit of independence under Yugoslavia's Communist regime.

# Foster Mother the demonstration, arrested ten students but later released them. Was A

Melbourne, Dec. 29.

A talented 27-year-old first since the war, in which mounted police were alleged to Melbourne, Dec. 29. herited the £6,380 sterling have charged the students and estate of her foster mother arrested over lity. who was said to have treated her like a slave later talks with students who since childhood.

The Supreme Court here tral students' restaurant at awarded the estate of Nurse Eva Zemun after an announcement Mairie Stevens to her adopted was broadcast over the loudisughter, Dorothy Ruth Nellis- speaker at supper one evening

Amdavits before the court told 2,600 dinars to 3,300 dinars how the girl was made to live (£3. 2s. to 4) and the accomin the draughty mice-infested modation charge from 700 dinars nttle of her foster mother's to 1,000 diners (10/6 to £1. 4.). hospital and how she was compelled to perform heavy mental tasks there.

In March 1952, it was stated, she was "rescued" from the hospital by her present husband, Some one called for a march on Mr Alan Smales: A few days the centre of Belgrade, police after her eschpe she was excluded from her foster mother's way, and made some arrests.

The affidavita described how a high-spirited affair, without the spinster foster mother had any speciale political flavour. eruelly dominated the girl's lifebabyhood, when she since adopted her in a country town. Later they lived in Melbourne and Dorothy was sent to a Presbyterian ladies college where she had won a soven years' scholarship; She was allowed no playmates or visits from friends.

# WON BURSARIES

At 16 she earned 22 sterling a week in a photographic studio but was allowed to keep only enough money for fares. A year later she became a violin. student and won bursaries three years in succession.

She started giving violin lesher four guineas a quarter but monarchist government. his her foster mother took all the money, leaving her with only four shillings a week.

When Derothy became encoming for her. The foster mother ordered Dorothy into the The security police cordon attic and locked all the doors, entry through the kitchen. He found Dorothy in a dazed state in her aitic room, while - the foster mother ranted and raved:

The foster mother also tried to transfer to her own account an amount of £700 sterling which had been deposited in Dorothy's name and which re-

At the funeral Dorothy was shunned by her foster mother's China Mail Special.

# out spontaneously in the centhat a student's monthly food charge was to be increased from

While the uproar was at its height, more students happened to come in from the local cinema and, as students would the world over, joined in the fun. were called out to block their From the accounts of on-

A group estimated at about

against a rise in the price of

their board and lodgings at a large students' settlement in the

suburb of Zemun, about three

miles across the River Sava. Police, called out to deal with

Since no news of the incident was published in the Belgrado

information about it rumours which circulated here became

much exaggerated. They spoke

cí a mass political demonstra-

In fact, it appeared from

were present that disorder broke

thousand demonstrated

icologies, it seems to have been

University Communist leaders said-afterwards that "anarchist elements" had been at work.

To foreign observers beitty at served as on indication that the Communists have not established -- a -- complete -- bold -- Over-Belgrade. University students are not airraid to react against an unpopular decree.

Government supporters could argue that this showed a degree wa of freedom in student life, while"" critics could argue that it was evidence of the Government's lack of support among youth.

Belgrado University has a tradition government feeling. Before the war. It was a hotbed of Comsons and had 19 pupils who pald munist agitation against the

> Mosa Pijade, President of Parliament, Koca Popovic, the Foreign Minister, and Colonel-General Peko Dapcevic, Chief of Staff of the Army, are among many present-day Yugoslav leaders who became acquainted with Marxism — in addition to the subject they were officially: reading—as students at Belgrade University.

Since the war, the University has given the foreigner the impression of being firmly under Communist control. As late as last year, ten Professors and Lecturers were dismissed on political grounds.—Reuter.

# Mrs Roosevelt Says:

# Don't Throw Away The H-Bomb

New York, Dec. 29. Mrs Elessor Roosevelt wrote in her United Fostures column: today, "Uniters a country flue att. It believes so fully that the belief is stronger then any wendon; it would be impossible to throw the weapon (hydrogen-bomb) away.

The widow of the late Presitient was commenting the a pubdistrict appeal by the former Governor-General of India, Mr. C. Rajagupalachett, that the

# WEATHER? SWITCH THE

# That is hone tor

to Kasten distribution of weather A possible development which

Meteorological Office members have been told about, would be the extension of the betvice to football and cricket clubs and firms interested in getting upto-date weather news.

# Britain Asks For Release Of Woman

British has caked Russia to An Anglo-French agreement of the production of some state of the production of the p release a British born woman,



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# DON IDDON'S DIARY

# Hamarskjold Could Become A Hero

New York, Tuesday. present to the United States, a little package of arrive within the next few

This is our fourth annual payment of principal and interest on the American Loan of 1946. Then early in the New Year, we pay another \$4,125,000 — the half-year interest on funds received under Marshall Aid.

Bellain has never invoked a waiver clause or pleaded for

I wish more Americans knew about our Christmas package. Not one in a hundred thousand has ever heard of it.

## Salute to loy

THE other day the New York thing to do with the World semtimes cuffs us for allegedly entitled "Salute to Britain." If boing on the cuff, said: "Almost so, I say "Salute to Joy Wright." unnoticed and despite a heavy

urden on her comomy. Britain has been proving back....

"Almost unnoticed" fortunately true. Couldn't our representatives here have drawn more attention to these regular payments? A ringing speech from the Ambassador, Sir Roger Makins and ome enterprising work by other officials would have helped,

I think possibly Miss Joy Wright, of the British Information Services, did have some-World Telegram, which Telegram leader, which was

> For years here, as the paper points out, it was "Good little Finland" and "Derr little Finland" in the editorials and the essays and often in the headlines, though Finland was paying a tiny sum in a tiny loan. Finland must have been more astute at getting her payments publicised.

Anyway, it's alce to use the World Telegram saying the over-betting the future, 1954's British dozerve "undying respect of Americans for faithful repayment of her debts." Now the word may get around. It is time it did.

Seen and heard

He has not been a well-known

than

day he is being both seen and

quiet-volced man appears to

the Americans as a knight

blond.

.He has said,

with more

originality,

should be

market is just catching up with the past"

the U.N. is a happier place

for months when Lie ran the

show at the fact of 42nd Street. Today anyone will tell you in

the Press or delegates' kunge

writing about Wall Street again

th's week, because Wall Street

has repy moved off the financial

pager at the back of the newspripars va to the front pages.

broken) new high ground ascen-

ded, as the stocks go up and up.
The boom is becoming a zoom.

ar und the financial district

down town that banks and

brokerage houses have been

handing out the biggest Christ-

One firm gave employees with a

There is herdly a firm in Wall

year or mile service three to

Stree that hem't been playing

It's his turn

T AM slightly worried by all the

articles which have appeared

proving positively in black and

white that there can never be a

slump, only minor readjust-

Life magazine in a slick

phrase says: "Where 1929 was

ments and profit-taking.

mas bonuses since the '20's. .

ten weeks' extra salary.

Father Chrismas this year.

There is so much money lying

There was discentent in the merble halls, and glass offices

since hetbick over

that morele is high.

General Eisenhower was off to Georgia for the Christmas holidays with so much praise ringing in his cars that it must have

drowned out the sleigh-beils. His Republican Party is split, the Congress has been

captured by the Opposition, the Domocrats, but Elsenhower's prestige is as high as when he won the election over two years ago. Everyone is against Ik? except the people. .I feel\_protty certain: that

General Eisenhower in the New Year, perhaps around March, will My to Britain to confer with the Prime Minister.

Annual conferences of the chlof British and American Ministers have become a custom and a habit, and this time it is well-dressed. Ike's turn to make the journey.

# Off for Christmas

MOST of the British store If he obtains the release of IVI are away for Christmas and drug-takers, unhappy marri- international hero. If he fails, Leo Genn from the Canary ages or "anyone in trouble." then the prestige of the United Islands, Noel Coward from Kenr off to Palm Beach yester-

> There are three openings on Broadway this week, and the most important is a revival of Barrie's "What Every Woman Knaws," starring Helon Hoyes.

Producer John Wilson is try-

Most people there picture the

"Red" as a sort of cross be-

# Love? They don't know HOW to make love in 1954

... SAYS THE LAST OF THE EDWARDIANS

THE pace is slow in the sleepy little residential hotel in Kensington. Elderly many residents. canes, sip tea in the unlounge, gather licensed round television in the evening.

Everything is a little staid, a little stuffy. Till the lady in 382 walks in.

She sometimes drinks champagne with breakfast. She wears an evening dress once

She is Mme. Betty Weingartner, fourth of the five wives of the great conductor, Felix Weingartner—"and the only one of importance"—formerly

THEY . . . are the younger generation, ignorant of the arts of cating, conversation and remance.

SHE . . . Caruso wanted to elope with her . . . a queen made a friend of her . . . a great conductor made her the fourth of his five wives.

by MARY HEWAT

Betty Callish, soubrette, opera singer vaudeville artist, actress and lieder singer.

Caruso asked her to elope owned by a Queen. She speaks with him. Nikisch, the consix languages, describes herself ductor, and Gabriel Faure, the as "the last of the Edwardians." composer, played her accompaniments, Sarah Bernhardt and Mrs Patrick Campbell called her "protegee." Queen Marie of Rumania was one of her closest friends.

In a small neat bedroom of the lit'le hotel. Mme. Weingartner, now 08, has been writing her memoirs. Memoirs dotted with names of the great, like Adelina Patti Marconl. Melba, with the recurring theme of Caruso throughoutthe "velvet-eyed" Caruso, who gave her lavish jewels, money, flowers; who offered to sing Carmen with her; who bought her French dolls because sho

was only "una bambina." It is the second time of writing. For Mme. Weingartner wrote her book after her divorce from Weingartner, then tore it up. She entered a strict order of Roman Catholic nuns, fulfilling o lifelong wish. Her health broke down, and she left the convent, to start life again at the age of 61.

# Sorry for them

COMING back to the world does not seem difficult for Caruso once said: "A name TON'T laugh at Super-draw on the hazy ideas of the Take the idea of the "Red" in convictions.

"I feel so sorry for the younger generation," she says. "They are brought up to the second-rate. They don't know how to dress, They don't know how to cat. They don't know how to talk. And they don't know how to make love." All the great artists are dead. she says. The only exceptions:

kreisler, the violinist; Casula, With the pineapple:

| He has been trying to figure she carries, it with her. Dinner with "Mine. Weingartner whocomes a musical history lesson

Italianc helt wing in French, and complains about the linned pine-apple in Switzer-Doutsch. Then she talks of people, of songs, of palaces. With the spoked salmon

and a luxury voyage round the



MME, WEINGARTNER Champagne with breakfast.

job. £20 in her purse, accompanied by an appalling French soldom goes out socially. maid who was always ill.

hear her sing "Frantzi" in the "particularly when one of the "Waltz Dream" at Daly's old ones was a queen. But the Theatre, when she found him convent taught me the gift of behind the bandstand having silence. I do not mind being CCHOLARLY, rether shy, ing to lure Robert Donat to quite a good time" with un alone. citractive blonde chorus girl. of Caruso, whom she taught to very good company. speak French with a reason-

able accent. Emmy Destinn, the dramatic soprano, always knew when she had sung well with Caruso in Aida. If he were pleased, during the final scene he held her and kissed her. If he was

not, he dropped her. such a woman. Her skin is only means something if the I man, Fu Manchu and community. The community, in the United States—perhaps the fresh and soft. She walks and public has paid for it, or thinks Sad Sack. Like the bogey-fiction. talks like a we can of 40. Her it has." To prove his point, he men of old, these men get tongue is tart, her opinions are made a bet that if he sang the behind-scenes Beppo serenade YOU. in Paglincel, no one would appland, as he was billed

sing Canlo. He sung Beppo, and not hand silrred.

# Late supper

next morning to invite her to a Sociology carries some concert, was appalled that she prises in it. was not awake. "I have been These three general cateworking since five o'clock."

she says. But he was a difficult comme.

Musical directors approached Mme, Betty: "Try to stop the maestro playing his own com- THE man of this week is, of "Why must you try to be uf the United Nations, Mr Dag Goethe Beethoven AND Wein- Hammarskjold, who takes of gariner," she asked, "when soon to meet Premier Chou Enthere is only one Weingartner?" lai in China. He was furious. "You do not Mr Hammarskjold has kept understand my creative side," but of the headlines until now.

which he was not

And with coffee; but she does figure like his predecessor, not drink coffee now. Only tea Trygve Lie. at night. For she is up at seven o'clock every morning, to modesty bath, make her own breakfast, "Secretaries-General and back to bed, writing till seen and not heard." But to-

# Not easy

THE rest of the day may include a lecture on music, or going to face the Chinese meetings with some of her dragon, a gallant, rather lonely "patients." For Mme. Wein- figure. gariner keeps up the welfare work she started nearly 40 the imprisoned American car- senttured all over the place. years ago, helping alcoholics, men he will be a national and Greer Garson writes from Texas,

In between times she designs Nations and of himself will Jamaica, and I saw, Doborah her own hats—a bit of felt, drop drastically. seguins or a flower, and there of this, but he says: "I have She has few intimate friends. to try. I must carry out this

"At my age it is not easy to That time Caruso came to make new friends," she says,

Hammarskjold has not up star in "The Sleeping Prince" "And I'll tell you one thing, to now made the impact on the in New York. Donat has never hearty, party-going Lie did, but in a stage play.

Mr Hammarskjold is aware

# With the grill; more stories When I am by myself, I am in American public which the big, appeared on Broadway before

# By LES ARMOUR

LOOK OUT FOR FU MANCHU

At any rate, they and

can take the word of Orren E. Klapp, a sociologist from San Diego State College:

Bolty Collish mot Weingart- out what sort of role Heroes, ner at a late suppor in the Villains and Fools play in our home of a friend in Vienna, He delly lives. And his report to telephoned her at seven, the the American Journal of

"He was the greatest con- | standard dumping bins for ductor the world has known. people who go in for large-There is no one to touch him," scale deviations from the social Mostly, the general lifes gov-

ample of pounds a worst of sme and cone Rense Simon for from the creckpot. But, spend their of cone of the cone of

turn, strengthen ils ideas from most popular of 1954 villains.

Sometimes, according to the tween Simon Legree and Jacksociologists, it can be danger- the Ripper, with a dash of ous, sometimes good. For in- Frankenstein thrown in, But stance, we tend to form the actual definition of the their kind seem to play a opinions of criminals from our, character is apt to be so vague pretty significant role in popular lidea of villains in that almost anyone will suit organisation, if we human types motivated by a On the other hand, withese burning desire to smash society. bold categories holp to knit the Accordingly, our first impulse community together. They dologist from (usually strong) is to knock the foster united action and pro-e College: stuffing that of them where we vided the decision as to who catch up with them.

pattern. Joe McCarthy can become a sort of St George busy slaying dragons, driven forward only by the purest of motives.

to be unbridgeable, it is often touch and so as to which one He had at violent temper, eming the ostegories are posty an individual lands in. The threw chine and furniture, hazy But they are crystallised crussder may differ in his showered his wife with thou- in fictional characters—Super setual behaviour only a crac-

And according to Dr Klapp there seems to be a tendency for the final judgment "to approximate the truth. When si individual deviates widely from the norm. his behaviour attracts attention. An associment

ed hero villain and fool 3 by Eventually, the the Tapta

him. He will probably be talk-





"And how is it for sleeping?"

# BY . THE . WAY . Beachcomber

-cutting physician said, "One ounce of to too, a planning this magic stuff will do you as official, in granting a permit to much good as six weeks on the erect a hen-house, stipulated Riviera." "That I can well headed by acc-queen-ten, with with liquid cow-martire,

ed in the minutes of the council concerned with this particular piece of planning. They agreed that it was ridiculous, and deleted it from the r-cords. The Planning Committee which had evolved the plansaid. "It was only a suggestion.

for camouflage purposes? I have not invented a word ed this, and I feel that nothing should be added to ! It is a classic.

## Pharmbutta

fairlivia Tansy give her A husband, Rong a pound of Pharmbutta for Christmas. Packed in special gilt paper, this margarine to end al margarines keeps fresh for at least a year, owing to the carefully selected chemicals used in Its manufacture, A -ell-known



that the roof must be covered believe," commented a leading perhaps a queen or so outside, lockey. Pharmbutta is a stream- there would be some logic to This stipulation was discover. lined, twentieth-century food, the bid as up to date as the H bomb. "It is like eating a bit of the jet age" writes Mra Olive Sadley, of Welshippol Villas, W.34. Ask your chemist for l Chairman of the Louise and Pharmbutta, Nature's Own Mar-O'Nassis of Drumkeerin

66CO little," complains D student of affairs,

known of Mr Onassis." O'Nassis family come originally from Drumkeerin, near the head of Lough Allen, in South Leltrim, You will find the name today in Lecurrow and Keadue, where is the grave of the bard O'Carolan. The family left Ireland in 1826. It was an O'Nassis who started the nougat industry in Clonmel, County Tipperary, and one of them took the family recipe to Montelimar on the Rhone. where a French form of the famous Clonmel nougat is made He did everything once

NOTE about a man who 🕰 "played the violin execusts... ly" at a party suggests a posslble explanation. He may have been in the position of the musical-looking fellow to whom a hostess said, for want of anything more sensible to say, "Doyou play the violin?" 'No. said the guest, with an affable smile, "but I can try." Evidently this other man was

Tail-piece Phose Asiatic names. I often

Have very lovely meanings; and, indeed. should be pleased if the

Burmese could see Viat Lukwat Thakat Braw Tin means to me.

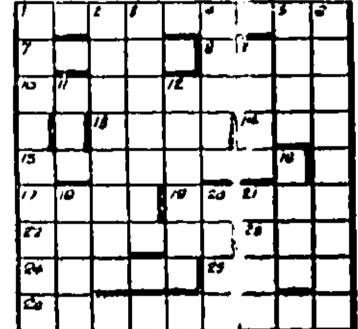
## By STELLA YOUR BURTHDAY

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 30 (ΣΟΙΩ) today you hase confleting : I) characteristics which will make also know that to sugarcost the pill it important for you to learn to will get better results and insteriknow yourself before ou can get eithers to understand you! You ventional when it comes to spiritual have talent in literature, you are cautious, even shrewn in business utlatic and you are an excellent

You know low to put

CROSSWORD

year ideas enterfaintagly. In other



1. Of Paul Pry naker an

anagram. (9) 7 (inme of golf or as .ce of bread. B. In it so cold for him on the day of the 'Varalty match ? (4)

10. A king in old da a often employed one. (4) 14. Jelly-like elique? ( 13

10 Sprigs. (9)

15. Reed gets round the wine cask.

17. Irish man of the r ims. (4)
19. Pater g'ves light to a way. (5) 22. Olgaratic not so at ong ? (8) 23. Often linked with mild in 24. Tooth untwisted from a moral.

20. It's often scribble after yours in a love letter. . Third for highbroom, (9)

28. Old found in a gr n cellar. (4)

3. Dunn couldn't make this with-

4. Sounds like a pice of door furniture from 8 across. (1, 4)

B. It has been known to have a rift Within, (4) o, "Unborn tomorro and dead ........ Why fret e cout them if

today be sweet? "- 'Limyyam. (9)

9. Beginning and hard of the
lachrymose. (4)

11. Venice, said. Won sworth, held
the gorgeous East in this, (3)

12. The weather report is (10, up
on 22 Across. (6)

16. There's an old-verid sound

10. More than just a suo-cess in the theatre. (4)

words you like to reform- but you You are inclined to be very con-. matters. In fact, in youth it is likely that you may have thought of entering the church as your life career. But it is more probable that you will carry over you high chiles! standards into your everyday living and become an example of good in mundane affairs. Since you have sense of humour which

makes it possible for you to see the follow of others, you often help reform by satirising these foibles. You are one of those who surely believe that the pen, indeed, inightler than the sword. When it comes to business. would be well for you to have a partner for although you are clever in working out plans, you care little

for the detail work and should have comeone to take care of that. However, your directions should always be followed to bring eventual Among these who were born on

this date are: Alfred E. Smith, New York governor; Rudyard Kipling. poet: Stephen Leacock, humorist: Wm. it Alger, author; Vincent Lopez, musician, and Pablo Casals, cellist. Po find what the stars have in store for you tomorrow, relect your builday star and read the correspending paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31 CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)-You can used this month on an optimistle note. Things should go well with you. Happy New Year!
AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)— Your plans for this evening should go exactly as planned. Have a good time and onloy yourself; socially, PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)-You can have just about anything you want, right now. The old year Is going out in fine style.

ARIES (Star. 21-Apr. 20)-This is the evening when you could with on that stort And anticipate four wish coming true TABRUS (Apr. 21-May 21)— City Tilly could be your luckiest day of do? The old years see that sometting you want is yours by nightfull.

CIEMINE (May 22-June 21)—

Excellent aspects for the beginning of the New Year. Take time out celebrathur, to give thanks.

CANCER (June 22-July 2)—

Creative ideas are in excellent as-

be sure to act upon it Instantly,
I. F. O. (July 24-Aug. 23)—
This is a rather neutral day. Perhaps you are going to be very busy and you're overtired. Reep temper well under control.
VIRGO (Aug. 24-Bept. 23)—
Tite old year is ending favourably with aspects for the new year that are auspicious for your major objective.

# JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Expert Shows His Tricky Methods

By OSWALD JACOBY

**ENOR** tricks that are vain and ways that are dark, some bridge players are peculiar. At least that's the way the defenders felt when today's hand was played by my associate, Alfred Sheinwold, in a recent tournament.

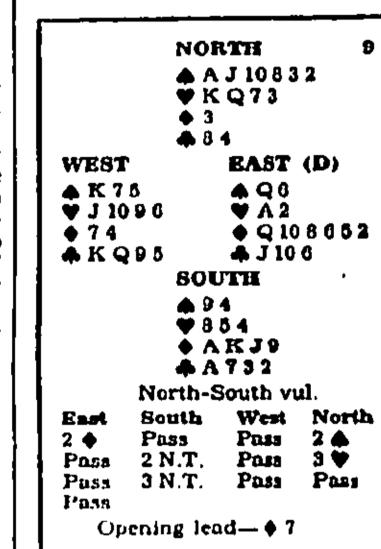
East began the trickery with his opening bld of two diamonds. This was meant to be a weak two-bid, but it isn't a very good sample of that sort of bid. Those experts who favour the weak two-bld are usually careful to have more strength in the sult and less

If East's diamonds were

North's bidding continued the dark ways. He was certainly justified in bidding his major sults, but he should have bid four spades over three notrump. It was a cinch that South had more than a singleton spade and that the hand would play safely at four spades. There was no such safety at three no-

West naturally opened the seven of diamonds against the actual contract of three notrump. East carefully played the discouraging deuce, and Sheinwold casua)' won the trick with the log of diamonds.

The idea as to give East the impression that West had the Jack and nine of diamonds. West



would surely lead the seven if he had J-9-7 of the suit, and then the suit would be within one trick of establishment.

After his tricky play at the first trick, Sheinwold led the nine of spades. West played low, dummy ducked, and so did East. This was correct play on the part of the defenders. Declarer led another spade and finessed the eight, losing to East's queen.

As expected, East led another diamond, whereupon Sheinwold produced the nine of diamonds to win the trick. While East mumbled something explosive and uncomplimentary, South led a heart to force an entry to the dummy. There was now no way to stop declarer from winning 10 tricks: five spades, a heart, three diamonds, and a club.

Now see what happens if South wins the first trick with the nine of diamonds, exposing the true situation in that suit. When East wins the queen of spades, two tricks later. shifts to the jack of clubs. South must duck, and the len of clubs is led. South ducks again, whereupon West overtakes with the queen of clubs to lead the jack of hearts.

# The CARD Sense

Q-With neither side vulnerable, the bidding has been: West 1 Spade 3 Clubs Pass

Double You, South, hold: Spades 8-2, Hearts 9-7-3. Diamonds 9-7-2. (=Kt, ch, or dbl ch) mates. Clubs K-J-10-5-3. What do you

A.-Pass. You are delighted to against a doubled club contract. Note that your hand was not worth an immediate double over two clubs since there was no point in driving the enemy out the only contract that you sed and at the same time. making your, partner, wonder whether or not your hand was.

# TODAY'S QUESTION.

The bidding is the same as in the question just enswered. You South, hold: Spades 9-8-8-2, Hearts Q-J-9-2, Diamonds Q-J-7-8-2, Clubs none, What do you

# = WOMANSENSE

# Woollen Afternoon Coat



"Picpus", by Pierre Clarence, a black woollen afternoon coat highlighted by a silk scarf with a jewel-studged clasp.-Agence France-Presse.

# HOUSEHOLD HINTS

An Unwise Man in Green

-He Jumped in a Bramble Bush to Get Wisel-

noise when you run water. It of the water pressure. may mean that a new faucet

By MAX TRELL

They squeezed through the

little door that led them behind

the bookease, and here they

found all the books with little

gardens and gates, exactly like

pretty houses. In front of each

of the houses was a sign read-

ing. Mother Goose Book. Alice

Entering A Book

the one marked Mother Goose

It was like being inside a big

house. They walked through a

long hallway and down a flight

of stairs—and then they came

CHESS PROBLEM

By E. ZAKON

Black, 3 pieces.

White, 5 pieces.

1, K-K13, any; 2, R, or P

Solution to yesterday's man.

White to play: mate in three.

problem:

Knarf and Hanid went into

Wonderland, Robinson

This is how they did it.

Crusoe, and so on.

Book.

If you hear a hammering chamber is needed to take care winter's smartest accent fabrics,

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

colours. He wore big, horn-

himself. Every time he had to

turn a page, he had to get up

He was just pushing one of

"Look -- the sun

the pages when Knarf and

and push with all his might.

"Good evening," replied

daytime," said Hanid with

Surprising Discovery

Hanid came up to him."

"Hello," said Knarf.

man in bright green suit.

you're quite right."

big book?" Knarf asked.

want to become wise-"

"You go to school,"

The man shook his head.

With many grunts of ugh-ugh,

"Ah, there's the rule!" he ex-

the man pushed the pages over

claimed, pointing at the page.

until he reached page 26.

jump in a bramble bush!"

make you wise!" Hanid said.

laugh.

Hanid.

page 20."

shining!"

into another garden.

Hanid, the Here they came on a man

Never use a good knife as a collar. They washer is needed; that the paneake turner; the heat can jewelled necklace or spagnetti washer is loose, or that an air damage the blade.

# New and smart accessories are used to achieve different effects

# Stretching Your Wardrobe For The Holiday Season

son it's worth its weight in brightens up the dark basic with variety of moods with a many possibilities, too—the in knit bolero—some with metallic simple change of accessories half bow or loop effect and thread added for glitter—or the new and different effects.

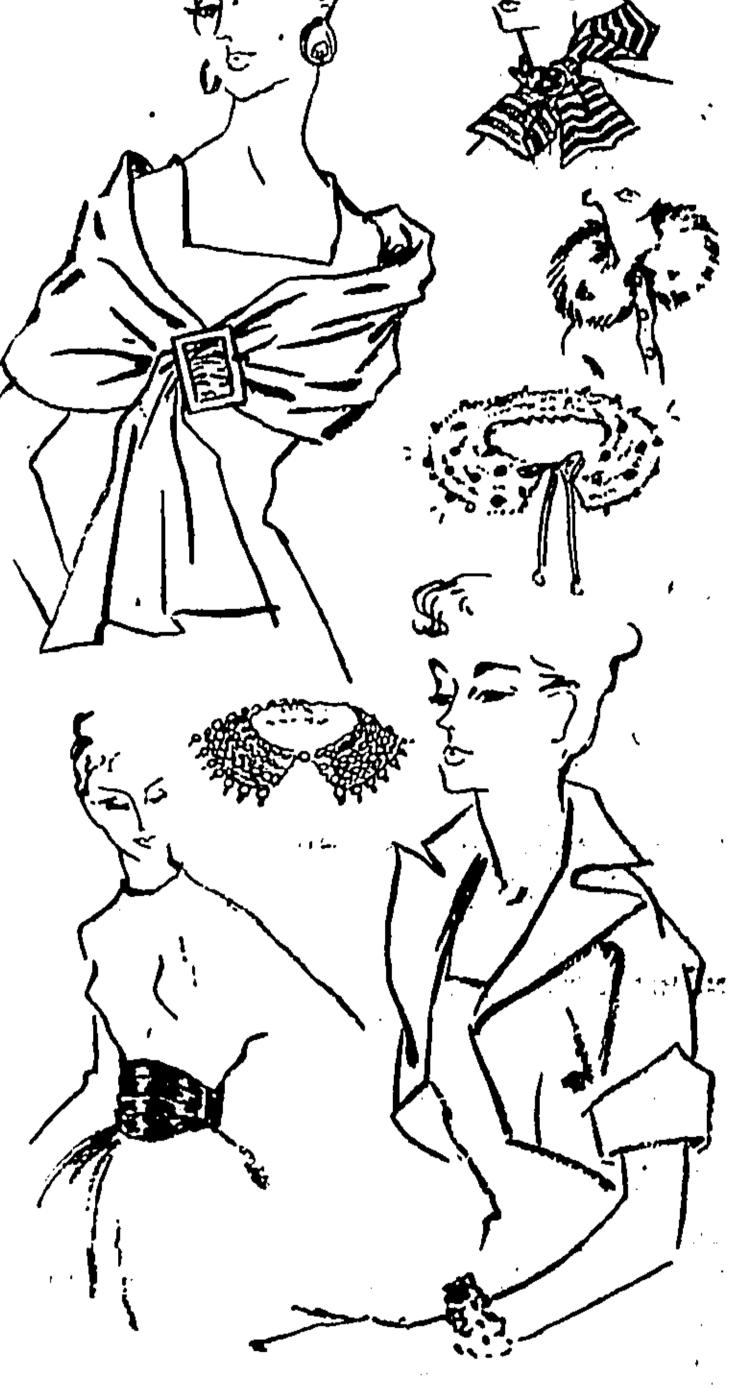
wondrous array of collars and its point in the centre back with waistline, or, in scarfs. Collars flat and favour- a blazing rhinestone pin. ing Peter, Pan shapes are done or three scarfs, about in beautiful pastel leathers; are embroidered and jewelled in many cases. winter's your own little angora glamourisc iridescent sequins, trimming. Pale coloured stripes with white are delicate in sheers; velveteen is rich in turgoise, hot pink; lame in silver with pink or blue as well as traditional gold.

To conform to the scoop or shallow neckline are a variety of fill-in gilet type neckpleces. You'll find gold lame with a tiny turtle roll edge a wonderful camouflage. Satin, one of makes another very wearable gilot finished with pointed take to the tie in velvet, the latter in a

A BASIC dress is always and some interesting changes for achieved with many crisp silk your simple little tweed or but during the holiday seawide scarfs. The triple one-inchbut during the holiday seawide scarf in different colours gold. It conforms to a high neckline; the silk scarf. In this season of soft top about five inches, wide has interest you may find the lacy

ten the midriff, too.

and with fashion's scoring finish with jewelled pin. Longer beautiful coloured velveteen of the top of the figure you scarfs with Oriental charm in cover-up serve not only as can employ all the neck-soft colour and embroidered comfortable little warmers but can employ an the neck design may be arranged in easy ways to transform last wear, little bits of fur and becoming fashion, too, at the year's basic dress into this lewelled touches to achieve neck or pleated about the season's new charmer. Belt in midriff. Try filling in the back softer fabric versions bring new of a lower neckline with a beauty to both silm and flared Available in the stores is a triangle shaped scarf and anchor silhouettes. They can score the Two cummerbund versions, highlight



At top left, a handsome buckled stole in red wool jersey. At top right, a five-inch striped silk scarf ties in a crisp half bow; below, a fluffy fox collar to match wool or cashmere cardigan, or edge the neckline of a simple dress. Below it, a white angora collar with iridescent paillettes ties in a little bow and below, to its left, a crochetted collar of silver and gunmetal pearls which doubles as costume jewellery also. On the figure at bottom right is one of many pert velveteen boleros in black, white or a gay festive colour such as turquoise or hot pink. To its left a pleated velveteen belt dresses up a simple dress.

## to another door which led out shadow-children with the dressed in a bright green suit turned-about names, had crept The suit was all torn and inside the Mother Goose Book, covered with patches in different rimmed spectacles. He was reading out of an enormous book, much bigger than he was

The Shadows went into a house marked Mother Goose Book.

"Oh, it isn't evening. "It's Knarf or Hanid could stop him. the man in the bright green suit jumped right in the middle of

the bramble bush. Knarf and Hanld pulled him out. He was all full of scratches. At this, the man blinked up at the sun and said: "Dear me, There were more tears in his beautiful green suit, but worst "What are you reading in that of all, his horn-rimmed spectacles had come off. With his spectacles off, the "It's a book of rules." the man

said. "For instance, suppose you poor man couldn't see very well. "That wasn't very wise," said said Knarf, "to lose your spectacles." But the man in the green suit said: "Please turn to page 27 in "That isn't what the book says, the big book you'll find the rule Here, I'll show you. It's on that tells you what to do in this case."

Knarf and Hanid looked over thorns, put them on the man's his shoulder. There in big letters, they read: "To be wise, nose and-"My goodness! I can see as well as ever again! I do think you two are wiser than "I don't see how that can my book!" "I'll just show you." said the

Then he reached in his pocket and gave them each a stick of As it happened, there was a candy. It was the wisest thing !bramble bush growing on the he could have done, and the other side of the garden. Before nicest.

# Rupert and the Magic Ball-8



any explanation of the mystery of "Fiello, there the flying parcel, "I wish it would pais playing fly back to the," sighs Rupert, "That means "Wall, try and forget k for a had a ball while," smiles Mrs. Bear, "I want though I didn you to tun to the village and buy and join them



ets off. On the way he pauses.

Hello, there are some of my pais playing football, he says.

That means that one of them had a ball for Christmas even though I didn't. I'll harry back and join them.

Rupert's Latest Adventure

RUPERT and the



# Billy Wright—He Has Given British Soccer A Lifeblood Injection

With his fair, tousled hair, athletic frame and clear blue eyes Billy Wright does not look a doctor. Professionally speaking, he is not. But he has given English soccer a lifeblood injection, and the once chronic invalid is well on the way to recovery.

A year ago Wright led a dispirited England side from the Wembley pitch after that 6-3 thrashing by Hungary. Six months later there was a repeat performance. This time it was in Budapest, and the score was 7-1 to Hungary. England was written off as a soccer force.

think England fluished. He was been contro-halves, world. Within six months he with the Wright temperament, body that sends him up and who led off victorious Welves out of the reckoning for long. Wolves had beaten Hungary's

skipper of England and Wolver $z_1/20$ hampton Wanderers Now help There is usually a "what is landed as England' brighter' might have been' tale con-

searce piller releven to one on top of the for football's hurly burly World

# BRILLIANT MOVE

merely but it turned our to be bleague debut and distribution were faulty, it composed.

Race run at 12.30 p.m. on both days.

advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 72811).

requisite fee of \$3.00 in order to gain re-admission.

Betting Booths in the Members' Betting Hall,

number reserved in the series 1 to 4,000.

cancelled for future Meetings.

stating reasons for their action.

DISFIGURED TICKETS.

be obtained from the Cash Sweep Offices.

until after the "all clear" signal has been exhibited.

by the holder.

the Meeting.

of seventeen years, Western Standard,

10.30 a.m. on both days.

throughout the meeting.

by him.

RESTAURANT.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

SIXTH RACE MEETING

Monday 27th December 1954 & Saturday 1st January 1955

(To be held under the Rules of the Hong Kong Jockey Club)

THE PROGRAMME WILL CONSIST OF 18 RACES.

The First Bell will be rung at 12 o'clock NOON and the First

The Tiffin interval is after the Third Race (1.30 p.m.) on both

The Secretary's Office at Alexandra House will close at

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

through the Secretary on the written or personal introduction of a

Member, such member to be responsible for all visitors introduced

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

Any person leaving the Enclosure will be required to pay the

MEALS and REFRESHMENTS will be obtainable in the

Servants must remain in their employer's boxes except for

Through Cash Sweep Tickets at \$18.00 each for the second

Particular numbers within the series I to 4,000 may be

In the case of two-day Race Meetings, Through Tickets may

Tickets reserved and available but not paid for by 10.00 a.m.

The reservation of any particular number does not confer on

The Stewards reserve the right to refuse any subscription also

Cash Sweep Tickets on the last race of the Meeting at \$2.00

**SERVANTS** 

passing through on their duties. They may on no account use the

CASH SWEEPS

day of the Meeting may be obtained from the Cash Sweep Offices

reserved for all race meetings as Through Tickets. Such tickets

will be issued consecutively only and the right is reserved by the

Stewards to cancel any reservation for Through Tickets for a

particular Meeting if it is found that sales may not reach the

be purchased for each day of the Meeting provided that the second

day is on a date not less than five days after the first day. In all

other cases Through Tickets will only be sold for the whole

on Friday, 24th December, 1954, will be sold and the reservation

the registered holder any rights whatsoever unless the ticket

bearing the appropriate number is issued to and can be produced

the right to remove any name from subscription lists without

each may be obtained from the Cash Sweep Offices at Queen's

Building, (Chater Road), 5, D'Aguilar Street and 382, Nathan Road

SPECIAL CASH SWEEP

**TOTALISATOR** 

OF THE DAY HAS BEEN SCHEDULED TO BE RUN,

operate within the precincts of the Hong Kong Jockey Club.

By Order of the Stowards,

H. MISA,

particular numbers cannot be reserved as Through Tickets.

during normal office hours until 10.30 a.m. on 1st January.

NO PERSON WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED.

All persons MUST wear their budges prominently displayed

Tillins will be obtainable at the Club House if ordered in

But Billy Wright did not now rated among the world's. One would imagine that any sure her football and her But it also has somethingmethods could again lead the quite a big semething...to do

has been proved right At ideal for the big occasion forwards, It's never merely a Molineux Stadium early this Boshful, yet cheerful, you can't month it was a proud. Wright keep a man like Billy Wright case of reaching the ball, Wright He was 14 when his schoolheading and keeps his eyes Honved, rated the finest club master took him along to rivetted on the ball. side in the world, 3-2 And this Wolves for a trial. He was He commands the area. he followed the 4-0 drubbing | 1512 when he made the Wolves | patrols, and thus more than Wolves gave Moscow Spartak, j first team-for good, Everything Justifies his choice as a centrewhich put English sorcer back else in the Wright career was half. a matter of routine, Profession-Just 12 mouths ago, Billy J.d forms at 17, his first cap for Wright was a much-criticised England at the tender age of

of cerning the "great" in sport What hes behind the sudden't Wright he no exception. He had transformation of a player of been on the ground-staff for the verge of losting the captains of exent amonths, when Wolves sand his place in the followid; deceled 510, 2m, was too small FORTUNATELY

Fortunately for Wright other have had reason to ad-The arewer sale must people. Wolves and England, they had him his fine qualities, see it is the witching of second thoughts. They must Whight from while to have been glad they did the ent tops against such redoubtcentur-half. The venture was braced two at the four goas lable centur-forwards as Simon-Combarked upon in an enterstithat bear Notts County in his har of Moscow Spartak

the building the bear was current. He was an outside right ton Hesser known Segier of Ger-The Billy Wright who had that occasion Since then he has many, and the best in dest the edge off his play is a placed in every position except | English League with bull, which postulate post, and his except been. Nobody has yet defined the difference between brilliant and great But as far as British foot--ball fans are concerned. Billy

-(London Express Service).

Wright qualifies for the latter

player as small as Wright would

be beaten with case in the air.

But he has a spring in his

over the tallest of centre-

puts tremendous power in his

ALONE AT 14

Billy was alone in Wolver-

hampton as a boy of 14. A

family took him into their

home and looked after him.

The husband has since died.

but Billy's foster-mother is

still one of his staunchest sup-

She is one of many players,

officials and fans all over the

world who at some time or

This coson Wright has come

FJohn Charles of Wales,

NOTICE

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

ANNUAL RACE MEETING

1955

15th, 19th and 22nd January

and Hong Kong Derby — 9th April, 1955.

Admission Badges at \$10.00 each per day are obtainable Entry Forms for the above NO CHILDREN will be admitted to the Club's premises during the Meeting. For this purpose a Child is a person under the age | Valley; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close to the Secre-The price of admission will be \$3.00 each per day payable at Floor, at NOON on Tuesday, 4th January, 1955.

> Please enclose the entry form in the green envelope governing body of All Amateur last speaker. He seconded Mr provided.

By Order of the Stewards, him in good stead. H. MISA.

Secretary.

ODELL

ERVE



For many here, perhaps the chance of a life-time hear as great a pianist

JULIUS KATCHEN, and at the popular price of Tickets over 4,000 will also be issued consecutively but \$4.70. I do not believe that a genuine music lover or student of music will find this price high for such great artist. Please book sociation in token of our great mencing at 0 p.m. now at the

> EMPIRE THEATRE Town Booking Office,

Shell House, side lane.



Wolves' and Englands' Billy Wright.—Express Photo.

## **SERVICES** SPLENDID

# HKFA Farewell Jack Skinner

"In sincere appreciation of splendid services rendered to the Association in particular, and to soccer in general 1935-1954" read the inscription on the silver plated shield presented to Mr Jack Skinner, former Chairman of the Hongkong Football Association, by the Hon, Kwok Chan, President of the HKFA, at a farewell cocktail party for Mr Skinner, held at the Hongkong Football Chib last night.

home on retirement. He was really seriously. However, he the Chairman of the HKFA said, it had been his greatest

ing prior to the presentation, plished much sometimes,

which we are gathered together ments" he said. to say farewell to an old friend, The Association, he continued, is generally both a sad and a had changed enormously. Counhappy one-sad because we are cil members in the old days shortly losing an old friend, were elected because they happy because he is going away were sincerely interested in footto enjoy a well-carried retire- hall in Hongkong and not be-

"It is, therefore, with very of clubs, infaced feelings—that I perform | Hongkong has now entered an this function of making a pre- international sphere in soccer. sentation on behalf of the Hong- Our Council is not going fast kong Football Association to enough" stated Mr Skinner, The our old friend Mr Skinner- Association has not got conknown to us more intimately as tinuity. The FA is concentrat-Jack. Jack is shortly leaving ing more on the local side of Draft Programmes and us for good, after having spent things, and not enough on the the best part of his life out here. International side, "Those of us who have the "There should be a five-man HKFC may be obtained at the Secre- privilege of knowing him have committee, elected not from Jinuay Chang (Kwong Wah). served to prove once again that tary's Office, Alexandra always been aware of the many view of being club representaHouse; the Club House, Happy splendid services which he has tives, but from view of their inValley; and the Stables. Shan rendered to this Colony. Partiterest of soccer in Hongkong," Wait-man (Kwong Wah), Falcalibre than Colony Open or Unruffled by the usual bustling cularly in the field of sports he he said. has established a fine record of In conclusion, Mr Skinner (Kwong Wah), Paton (Club), service which I believe is not said "thank you all for the Gardner (Club) captain, Young easy to surpass. Starting from many, many happy hours and Wal-tao, (Sing Tao), Lo Kwoktary, Alexandra House, 8th the ranks, so to say, as an active years I have spent here in tal (Sing Tao), The Kam-ho football player he has risen to Hongkong." the exalted position of chief executive of the governing body proposed a toast to Mr Skinner. of football, and later to that of Mr Jock McKelvie, Vicechief executive of the highest President of the FA was the

# UNNECESSARY

"Gentlemen, I am not going to sing his praises—that would be at once impertinent and unnecessary—I shall only say that during his stay here he has endeared himself to us all by his kindness, sociability and constderation, as well as by his constant cheerfulness, good fellowship and sympathy,—qualities which will make him friends wherever he goes.

"We have now come to the stage at which we must part. Very unwillingly we have to to say good-bye. I only hope that it will be just "au revoir" hecause with the modern convehiences of travel there is little difficulty for him to come back —if only just to look us up.

"Mr Skinner, on behalf of the Hongkong Football Association the Amaleur Sports Federation I have much pleasure in asking and Olympic Committee, will be you to accept as a parting gift | held at the Hongleing Football from us this shield of the As- Club Pavilion this evening comregard and esteem, and in wishing you and Mrs Skinner many leaving shortly for home on remore years of good health and tirement and this function will

that he entered football from the official and honoured guest of time he kicked a can about on a the Federation.

Mr Skinner is shortly going [field till he took up football pleasure to be in football in The Hon. Kwok Chan, speak- Hongkong. "We have accomhave disagreed violently but "An occasion like this, on then there must be disagree-

cause they were representatives

The Hon, Kwok Chan then

Sports, in both of which his Skinner's suggestion of a fivewealth of experience has stood man council.

Mr McKelvie concluding also proposed a toast to Mr Skinner.

Those present were: Hon. Kwok Chan (President of the Hongkong Football Association). Mr Jock McKelvie (Vice-President), Col. J. A. Dawson (Vice-President), Mr C. S. Wang (Chairman), Messrs L. G. Young, T. Dyer, L. J. Channing, Pat George, Raleigh Leung, Tom Sneddon, Maximo António Chang, Leslie Louey, J. A. Kearney, R. M. Omar, Lo Chunhuen, Capt W. A. George; Flt/Lt` H. A. Hides, Insp. J. H. Good- mittee. man and Major C. D. Elrick.

# A REMINDER

Officials and members of affiliated clubs are reminded that the farewell presentation to Mr Jack Skinner, past President of Mr Jrck Skinner, will be

probably be the last opportunity Mr Skinner replying, stated for members to meet him as the

It was a solo effort that brought the figures down as Lt Burch was on his own after the first lap. He clocked 63 seconds for the first circuit with Mike Curzon of the HKAAC in hot pursuit, but Curzon dropped out on the second lap quite convinced that he was not yet in condition for two races in one afternoon. seconds for the second lap, 69 there were as many as 13 for the third and 72 for the starters in the 880 Yards, which

The Essex Regiment, running for the HKAAC.

distance and the track was later

re-measured by three officials of

than 440 Yardz.

surveyed and corrected,

Club Stadium XI

For Floodlight

Soccer Exhibition

in a friendly encounter.

coner, (Club),

(Kwong Wah).

chih (Kwong Wah).

The Hongkong Football As-

The following have been

Reserves:-Yue Ylu-tak (Sing

Tao), Ng Kee-cheung (Kwong

Wah), Honniball (Sing Tao),

McDonald (Club) Kwok Ying-

Team manager: Mr A. Mullen.

lok (Kwong Wah), Chen Ming-

Chau Man-chi

COLONY RECORD FOR THE

MILE RUN GOES AT

BOUNDARY STREET

By "RECORDER"

32.1 seconds at a small friendly triangular meeting at the Army ground,

Boundary Street, yesterday by Lt Keith Burch of the 1st Battalion,

The Colony record for the One Mile Run was reduced to 4 minutes

NAVY DROPS IN

Very noticeable was a small the HKAAC and one from the RNAC and found to be longer informal team of three from HMS Birmingham-P. H. Walles, R. C. Bodkin and J. T. Ransom The old Colony record of 4 -who found their land legal minutes 35.3 seconds was estab- sufficiently to place in five the Hongkong Signal markably good effort against lot ft. 11% ins. Regiment, in the Army Cham- opposition which, if not in pionships of 1952 in a race that Colony Championship class, was then referred to as "Hong- contained at least one or two kong's Mile of the Century" outstanding performers in each against such outstanding Milera event. in the Colony's experience as Except for the new Colony

Lt. M. N. S. McCord of the Mile record, a fast 2:09.7 in the Royal Ulster Rifles, S/Sgt. Peter | 880 Yards by Mike Curzon, a West of the Royal Engineers Javelin Throw of 164 ft. 3 ins. (now a ranking Six-Miler in by C. N. Brand, a modest 23.6 the United Kingdom), and seconds for the 220 by Stephen Cismn. Frank Taylor of REME. Xavier and a challenging 24.0 It is quite possible that Mac- by University's Fung Kat-leo Mahon ran a little further than and Club's D. H. Clouting, did Lt. Burch yesterday as the performances were on the course has since been re- moderate side though quite reasonable in the three jumping Yesterday's meeting was a events.

very informal one and, though | Outstanding schoolboy perannounced as a triangular formance was that of Alan Mok, match, no points were counted whose 2:14,2 in the Half Mile was as University could only pro- good time for the Boundary duce a team of six and the Street track. His second place Diocesan Boys' School did not against much more experienced compete in any of the throwing runners, in a big field against a pace that was too fast Quite a few Servicemen turn- for him was an achievement to

ed out in response to an invita- take pride in. tion at very short notice that The University were without year-old Ken Rosewall gave en they could "have a bash" at two of their best performers— improved display to beat Tony Victor Lai and Ng Chuan-wai- Trabert, American champion, but still managed to take 13 9-7; 7-5; 6-3. Rex Hartwig, places with a six-man team, who replaced Lewis Hoad, beat including three firsts. Samuel Lo of DBS was the

afternoon's "iron man", placing in the 220 Yards, 440 Yards, 120 Yards Hurdles and Long Jump. both his forehand and back-Tsang Chun-him of the endation will officially open HKAAC upped his season's best their floodlighting system on in the High Jump to 6 feet 6 Wednesday January 5, when inches very promising at this the Hongkong Football Club early stage, but lost out to wall ralled efter being 1-3 Stadium Selection play the University's Goh Tiow-beng in down in the first set.

South China Stadium Selection the Long Jump. Roy Bell, the Novices' 440 Yards Hurdles Chambion, rather | tered hand and this may have surprised by taking the 440 Flat affected his game. selected to represent the in a fair 58.9 seconds.

Stadium Selection; The good turnout of athletes calibre than Colony Open Championship, which normally frighten out the non-Championship aspirants.

# THE SUMMARIES

100 Yards (1st race): 1. David

Toh (DBS) 11.0 seconds; 2. D. H. | Seng-tuck (IIKUAC) 11.1 sees.; 4. about the court as Seixas. | Work Wing-kunn (DBS) 11.2 secs. 100 Yards (2nd race): 1. Fung Kat-lee (HKUAC) 10.7 secs.; 2. B. Brumwell (DBS) 11.2 secs.; 3. Ransom (HMS Birmingham) sees.; 4. Januse (DBS) 11.4 sees. 220 Yards (1st race); 1. Stephen Xavier (HKAAC) 23.6 necs.; 2. Host Seng-tuck (HUAC) 23:4 secs.; 3. Samuel Lo (DBS) 25.5 secs.; 4, B. Brumwell (DBS) 26.2 secs. 220 Yards (2nd race): 1. Fung Kat-lee (HKUAC) 24.0 sees, and peatedly passing Seixas as he D. H. Clouding (HKAAC) 24.0 sees, went to the net, he finished a (dead heat); 3. David Toh (DBS) 25.5 secs.; 4. Wong King-kung (DBS) 440 Yards: 1. Roy Bell (HKAAC) (IIKAAC) 802 secs.; 3. Samuel Lo (DBS) 60.5 secs.; 4. H. Stewart (DBS) 01.2 secs. 880 YARDS: 1, M. P. Curzon (HKAAC) 2 m. 0.7 s.: 2. A. Mok

(HKUAC) 2 m. 13.7 s.; 4. R. C. Bodkin (HMS Birmingham) 2 m. One Mile: 1, K. Burch (HKAAC) 4 m, 32.1 s. (New Colony record subject to confirmation); 2. J. Smith (HKAAC) 4 m. 59.5 s. 120 Yards (3 foot) Hurdles: 1. A. E. Collaco (HKAAC) 17.0 secs.; 2. A (HRAAC) 17.2 Hocs.: Lo. (DBS) 17.4 secs.: Louing Koon-chor (DBS) 21.2 cocs. High Jump: 1. Trang Chun-him (HKAAC) 5 ft. 6 ma.; 2. Goh Tlow-

beng (HKUAC) and Leong Hing-jok (DBS) both 5 ft. 4 ins.; 4. Lee Pak-Long Jump: 1. Goh. (HKUAC) 19 ft. 7 ins.; Tlow-beng The new Committee repre- Fung Kat-les (HKUAC) 18 ft. 8 ins.; sents about 100 "rebels" who 4. Semuel Lo (DBS) 10 ft. 7 inc. Hop, Htep & Jump: 1. A. Ritchie

SOAPLESS:

DETERGENT

A LEVER PRODUCT

Burch continued to clock 68 any event if they wanted to and ins.; 4. P. H. Waites (HMS Bir-Shot Put (12 lbs.): 1. R. Heltmeyer (HKUAC) 38 ft. 715 lns.; 2. C. N. last. The three timekeepers all proved the most popular event Brand (HKAAC) 35 ft. 714 lus.; 3.

P. H. Walles (HMS Birmingham) 32 st. 216 ms. Discus Throw: 1. C. N. Brand (HKAAC) 93 ft. 314 Ins.: 2. R. Heitmeyer (HKUAC) 85 ft. 0\s ina.; 3, H. Walles (HMS Birmingham) 79 ft. 10 lns.; 4. Shun Sul-leung (HKUAC) 00 (to 1115 lps. Javelin Throw: I. C. N. Brand (HKAAC) 104 ft, 3 ins.; 2, P. II. lished by Joseph Patrick events and compete in twice as Walles (HMS Birmingham) 122 ft ("Paddy") MacMahon then many as that This was 10% ins.; 3, A. E. Collaco (HKAAC) ("Paddy") MacMahon, then many as that. This was a re- 111 ft. 615 ins.; 4. R. Bell (HKAAC)

# DAVIS CUP

# Australians Win Remaining Two Singles

Sydney, Dec. 29. Australia softened the blow of their Davis Cup defeat by winning the two remaining Singles today in the Challenge Round.

The United States had regained the trophy yesterday with a winning lead of 3-0, so the final result was a win for them by three matches to two.

With the tension cased, 20-Vic Seixas 4-6; 6-3; 6-2; 6-3.

Rosewall hit out strongly in the gusty wind and produced magnificent passing shots with hand: His service was superior. and he maintained an attacking game to which Trabert had no answer, especially when Rose-

Trabert played with a blis-

Hartwig, who has been described as the greatest stroke tactics of Seixas, he produced a flow of superb strokes to gain the mastery after dropping the first set.

Hartwig's service was good. his shots firm and accurate and he proved himself at least as Tao), Lo Keng-chuen (Sing Clouting (HKAAC) 11.0 secs.; 3. Hoot good a volleyer and as speedy

Seixes made a determined rally after trailing 2-4 in the first set and, twice breaking through, he took four games in

a row for the set. Thereafter, Hartwig command and, winning services with consistent case and re-

peatedly passing Seixas as he comfortable winner.

# CUP PRESENTED

The huge crowd which had watched the concluding singles in the Davis Cup challenge round today waited at the (DBS) 2 m. 142 s.; 3. Wong Ka-tu White City counts while the presentation of the Cun tools

> The Governor-General, Sir William Slim, handed trophy to the American team manager, Bill Telbert; who in turn formally handed it to Mr Julian S. Myrick of the United States Lown Tennis Association. Blim William

gratulated the Americans on their victory and said the temporary loss of the Cup by 2. Teens Australia would be a stimulus for its recovery. He said the Americans were good neighbours of Australia both in war (HKAAC) 29 ft. 4 ing.; 2. Hoo! and peace, and the visit of such Seng-tuck (HKUAC) 38 ft. 1 in.; 3. fine spontamen helped to coment Uch Tiow-beng (HKUAC) 37 ft, 1 felondalin between the two friendship between the two

> Mr Myrick, in roply, mid that in studing next year's challenge Forest could not hope to equal the magnificent setting of White City "because "that would be impossible."

But his Association would do he best, he sadded.

called - to the imlorophotic stat spoke of the sportsmanship and friendship that had marked the Cirallenge Round, Tony Trabert expressed the hope that "we have been as humble, as triandwere in losing."

United States lost the Challonge Round to Australia in four questions to Australia to 1963 inclusive .- Reuter,

## Tournament Golf Professionals Form Own Committee London, Dec. 29.

The tournament golf professionals, in dispute with the British Professional Golfers' Association, the ruling body, have formed their own com-

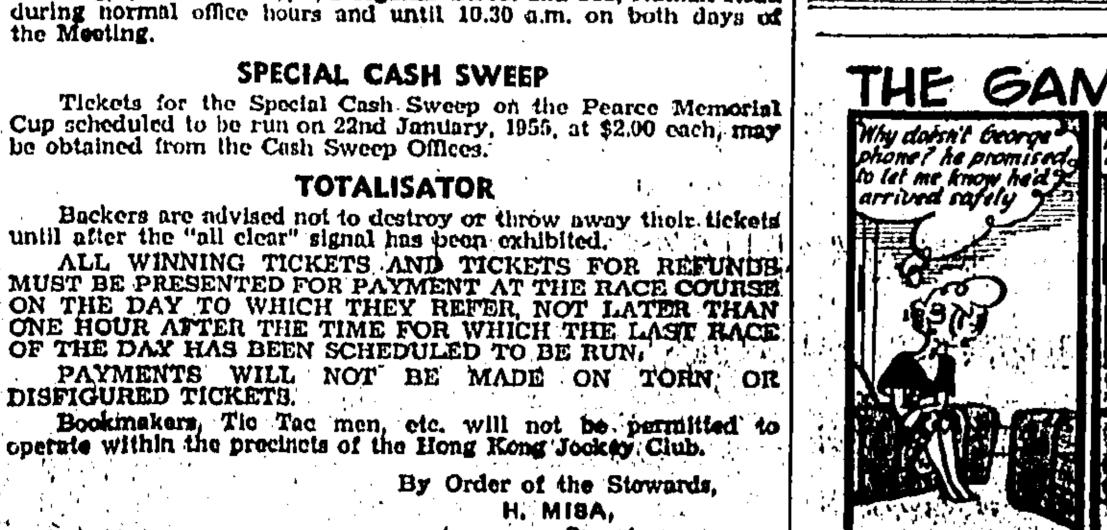
It comprises members from all parts of Britain and Ireland, with Henry Cotton as Honorary Secretary, Sur Jimmy Adams, Chairman of

the new Committee, said today: "We are a fully representative body who will look after the interests of the players at tournaments. The new Committee will negotiate with the Professional Golfers' Association (DBS) 5 ft. 2 ins. tion Executive Committee required."

were dissatisfied with their representation on the Executive of the PGA.—Reuter,









# OLD JACK AND TWO YOUNGER LONDONS



Former British and Empire Heavyweight Champion Jack London shows his pride in his two fighters, Jack (left) and Brian, both of whom are following successfully in father's footsteps. They are pictured at Jack's club in Manchester.

Jack and Brian are serving as P. T. instructors in the Royal Air Force and are due for demob. in the New Year. Brian, 20, fights as Brian Harper and is British and Empire Amateur Heavyweight Champion. Jack, 21, has won the four fights he has had since becoming a professional. He fights as Jack London,

Dad has only one regret. He quips, "When they were young I could clip them behind the ear. Now it's the other way about."-Reuterphoto.

## NBA WINTER RATINGS

# No Logical Contenders For Light Heavy Or Middleweight Crowns

Milwaukee, Wisconsin, Dec. 29. The National Boxing Association's quarterly ratings, released today, showed no logical contenders for the crowns of Lightheavyweight Champion Archie Moore and

of Middleweight king "Bobo" Olson. Fred Saddy, Chairman of the NBA Championship Committee, said that there were also no occupants for the featherweight and bantamweight thrones.

The NBA declared the two, within time limits set by the cual Perez and lightweight Championships vacant when NBA featherweight Sandy Saddler New Champions since the to hold the division crown for

# THIRD TEST

failed to defend their titles Johnny Saxton, flyweight Pas-

# Len Maddocks Comes

Melbourne, Dec. 29. wicketkeeper, will be replaced by Len Maddocks of Victoria in the Third Test toured England with the last against England which begins here on Friday.

cause of an eye injury sustained in a Sheffield Shield match in Adelaide yesterday.

His loft eyelid was split when doctors stated today that the in- fours.—Reuter. jury would not heal in time for the Test. The doctors added that Langley could see a little out of the eye, but it was still badly swollen.

Maddicks, 28, slim and five deet eight inches, first played for Victoria in 1948, but he was dropped, and last season was his first full one for the state. A useful batsman, Maddocks has in average of 101 this season. He has secred 811 runs for an average of 37.87 in first

The Australian selectors will day. Second Test because of his knee Metres record. injury.

Ian Johnson, Australia's cap- "On the threshold of the New my McCarthy, Billy Kelly, was holding well against Tinde, tain, who was kept out of the Year, I wish to greet cordially Bobby Bell and Carmelo Costa, winning four rounds before the leg muscle, passed a fitness test Emil Zatopek and the Englishtoday and will lead the side at man Christopher Chataway with tenders: Robert Cohen and Melbourne. Earlier in the day, he had records," Kuts said. complained of some tenderness

in his log after selding practice. -Reuter.

and vice-captain, was out with- running."-Reuter.

addition to his overnight Gil Langley, Australia's score of 78, but Ilm De Courcy, with 95, and Benaud, made gailant effort to stave off defeat. Spin bowler Jack Hill, who Australian side, took five wickets for 112, and Alan Dick

Langley had to withdraw be- match figures eight for 97.

# Kuts Sends New Year Greetings To Chataway

London, Dec. 29. Vladimir Kuts, Russian class cricket,

Further bad news today for Australian cricket fans was that Keith Miller still has a suspicion of fluid on his knee, according to a doctor of the Australian Control Board. The doctor has class cricket.

In the world Three Light—Champion, James his opponent during the first Carter. Logical contenders: two rounds as Danny Kid felt Paddy de Marco and Wallace Smith. Outstanding boxers: The Philippines fighter's longer Dupas Johnny Gonsalves and Chataway and Czecho—Chataway and Czecho—Chata holder of the world Three Control Board. The doctor has slovakin's Emil Zatopek in Cisco Andrade. Also rated: Art- stunned by two blows to the pronounced Miller fit for the a broadcast over Moscow hur Persely, Richard Howard, jaw. Bake moved away.

Melbourne match—with reserva
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Orlando Zuleta, Kenny Lane Melbourne motch—with reserva- Radio heard in London to-

have the final say on whether | Kuts broke Chataway's 5,000 | or not Miller plays. Should be metres record in October this Title vacant Logical contenders: Blake, with his back to the do so, Miller, it possible, would year when he beat Zatopek, Red Top Davis and Sandy Sad- ropes, was felled by two fast bowl in short spells only, the Olympic triple gold medallist dier. Outstanding Boxers: doctor stated. Miller missed the and holder of the world 10,000 Percy Bassett, Rudy Garcia, Ray

the Czechoslovak sportsman i whom I competed for world Raton Macing, Outstanding

"I also salute the other foreign sportsmen whom I met on the Hilaire Prates, Nate Brooks, Melbourne, Dec. 29.
Referring to his record perRitchle Benaud, one of Australla's nominated 12 players for that it was not easy. I ran New South Water total and Total and South Water total and Total and South Water total and Total and South Water total and Sou

Jimmy Carter, the only fighter and bantamweight Robert Cohen October ratings are welterweight three periods.

The quarterly ratings are as Heavyweight - Champion, Rocky Marciano; Logical con-

tender: Nino Valdez; Outstanding boxers: Ezzard Charles and Don Cockell. Also rated: Bob Baker, Tommy Jackson, Charles Earl Walls, Heinz Neuhaus, Roland La Starza, Dan Bucceroni, Joey Maxim, Johnny Williams.

Light Heavyweight - Champion, Archie Moore; Logical contender: None available. Outstanding boxers: Billy Smith, Harold Johnson and Floyd Patterson. Also rated: Paul Andrews, Jim Slade, Gerhardi Hecht, Willi Hoepner, Holande Pompey and Marty Marshall.

Middleweight - Champion, had three for 66 to make his Carl (Bobo) Olson. Logical contender: None available. Out-Do Courcy and Benaud added standing boxers: Rocky Castel-142 in 127 minutes in a hard- lani, Joe Glardello and Holly hitting partnership for the fifth Mims. Also rated: Pierre title. wicket. De Courcy, particularly Langlois. Willie Troy, Charles he was struck by a ball, and strong on the on side, hit 14 Humez; Eduardo Lausse, Gustav Scholz, Tiberio Mitri, Peter Mueller, Paddy Young, George Johnson, Billy McNeece, Bobby Jones and Johnny Sullivan.

> Welterweight - Champion, Johnny Saxton, Logical contenders: Carman Basilio and Kid Gavilan, Outstanding boxers: Vince Martinez and Tony de Freddle Maurice Harper, Art Aragon, Del Flamagan, Billy Graham and Hector Constance.

and Bonnie Espinosa.

Featherweight — Champion: Famechon and Ciro Morasen. Also rated: Jean Sneyers, Shm-

No one recognised. Logical conboxers: Chamrern Songkillrat, Mario Dagata, Willie Toweel and Peter Keenan. Also rated:

THE AVA GARDNER STORY

# FLATTERED, BEING TO PORTRAY VENUS?

dramatice, dancing, and working a touch of good luck. There in front of the cameras, you have publicity photographs to one Touch of Venus.

Then for me, there's always a home-breaker."

Sinatra told friends at the time they began their whirl
I recalled a sonnet that taking lessons in speech, voice,

"It came as a shock to me after I appeared with Clark Gable in 'The Hucksters' that in the eyes of the studio I was probty important.

"There are changes when you move up. You get a star's dressing-room, and at Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer studios, something, believe me,

"Your dressing-room is decorated the way you like it It's like a luxurious suite at a first-class hotel. Then, on the set, you have another dressingroom, with a comfortable soft, easy-chairs, your own gramophone, a coffee-pot, the works. It you want anything, you just ask for it.

## LAZY BY NATURE

"But your time is not your he created a Venus out of me. own and that bothered me a heck of a lot at first. I'm lazy the things I had. by nature. I like to take my time about things. I like to dencing. figure them out my way and not be rushed into doing what I'm not sure of. Well, at a Burns for drama and dialogue, big studio, a lot of things are worked out for you. Otherwise they wouldn't ever be

"It took me a while to get used to this, to getting up at five-thirty or six o'clock in the do well on this important loanmorning so as to be at the out." studio in time for make-up. hairdressing, wardrobe and rehearsals before shooting. I

especially when, like in Show

# **Bad Night For** Australians Manila King

Manila, Dec. 29. Flyweight Australia's their scheduled 12 round dimensions. bout for the Philippines

It was a bad night for the Australia's Russell Sands in two minutes and 35 seconds of the

ninth round. In a third encounter, the Philippines' Leo Alonzo won on a technical knockout Australia's Ned Wilson in one Marco. Also rated: Ramon minute and 48 seconds of the Dawson, ninth round of a scheduled 10 round bout.

> Danny Kid weighed pounds to Blake's 111. Blake led

# FATAL SEVENTH

In the fated seventh round straights to the jaw which ended the contest.

Sands, youngest brother of Australia's Sands fighting clan. was holding well against Tinde, ninth-the second to the fifth round. Sands was worn out by body blows as the older Tinde punished the 17-year-old Aus-tralian. Tinde suddeply un- chance of a life-time to leashed two right straights to hear as great a planist as Sand's Jaw and the Australian JULIUS KATCHEN, went down for the full count.

in the Third Test, scored 64 for that it was not easy. I ran many hundreds in falled to prevent Victoria win ing the Sheffled Shield game by 36 runs.

New South Wates needed 400 to win, were all out for 363.

Arthur Morris, Test opener and vice-captain, was out with
Third Test, scored 64 for that it was not easy. I ran place in good shape. I can now getting ready for the follower. Outstanding Boixers: Next knocked down by blows to the stomach. In the many hundreds in training to keep in good shape. I am now getting ready for the coming season.

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ASKED TO PORTRAY VENUS?

By J. M. RUDDY

"T've often been asked what happens to you when your name goes up in lights and when you got what is called star billing."

Ava Gardiner, eyes twinkling, a smile hovering around her lovely mouth, said this as we sat at Frascatifs in Beverly Hills. "Michael! I drive to the studio for werk, I guess I'm built to way, and the stars in the sky were, life wylers say, so low when is not everly Hills. "When I was in France, they said this as we sat at Frascatifs in Beverly Hills."

When I was in France, they could not be with the way. We talked about the filming of "Plandorn and the Figures" were. Ilke wylers say, so low were talk about the filming of "Plandorn and the Figures" were. Ilke wylers say, so low were talk about the filming of "Plandorn and the Figures" had follen in love with first step that counts. That's the way it is with seed of the first step that counts. That's the way it is with seed of the first step that counts. That's the way it is with seed that the story were like wylers say, so low were like wylers say, so low were like wylers say, so low were like wylers say. So low were like with say in the step that it's the first step that it's the first step that it's the first step that work to talk about the filming of "Plandorn and the Figures" had fallen in love with first step that it's the first step that the counts. That's the way it is with seed about the filming of "Plandorn and the Figures" had fallen in love with first step that the counts. That's the way it is with seed about the filming of "Plandorn and the Figures" had fallen in love with first step that it's the first step that the counts. That's the way it is with seed about the filming of "Plandorn and the Figures" had fallen in love with first step that it's the first step that the counts. That's the way it is with seed about the filming of "Plandorn and the Figures" had fallen in love with first step that the counts. That's the way it is with seed about the filming of "Plandorn and the Figures" ha

Your time is not your own. If first step, then it comes easier. now? It's all been written. One you are not actually rehearsing. Not easy, but easier. thing I must say. I was never

do, interviews, personal appear"I wanted to do it very much.
ances, even help opening new It was the first time I was going transcraption of dollars, 36 in my breast you butles — Shamshulpo,—3.1.55.-6.156. to have a chance at comedy with music. What's more, I was go-

> wouldn't be flattered, being asked to portray Venus; and I'm not immune to flattery! "At first, M.C.M. said: 'No. We have another picture you to do right away.' I went into my dressing-room and wept. Then luck. The M.G.M.

picture was delayed. You can

ing to play Venus. What woman

do that picture at Universal,' said one of my bosses. "Man, did I werk! I had to learn some tricky dance-steps and three songs, But I love ito dance and I like to sing, so called Billy Daniels, the dance director, and began training. called Harriet Lee and started on the songs. I posed for sculptor two hours a day while

"Voice, dramatics, speech and "I rallied my good friends Harriet Lee for singing, Lillian

And as I posed I thought of all

and Gertrude Fogler for my "Do you know, those wonder- hear Frankie sing ful women gave up their

help me, to make sure that Pd

Sundays to work with me, to

# TYCOONS AMONG THEM

got into the habit of having ning to make a name for her- now that if you are a film star self in Hollywood. The most or a top singer like Frank is eligible bachelors in the film whatever you do makes news city sought to take her out and headlines. Among them were multimillionaire Howard Hughes, Frankie than it is on me. I broke up. Peter Lawford (by studio arrangement), Howard Duff end several visiting Texas oil

Her reputation as Hollywood's most irresistible female grew, and was embellished by anecdote and legend. One legend went like this:

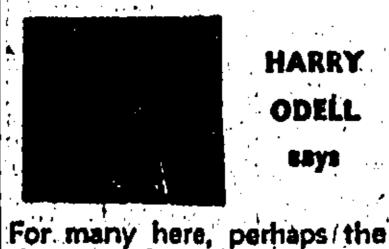
When she began posing for sculptor Joseph Nicolosi for the Australia's Flyweight statute of Venus, to go with the Champion, Vince Blake, was film "One Touch of Venus," she tonight knocked out by the wore a bathing suit. After Philippines' Danny Kid, chiselling for a while the sculp-Orient Flyweight Champion, tory. Ava obligingly rolled down in the seventh round of her swim-suit to G-string

Nicologi created a superb realistic statue of Ava. When a studio production chief saw runs the gossip, he was Australians. In a 10 rounder, delighted—and appalled. "For the Philippines lightweight, gosh-cakes-man, this has got Emile Bill Tinde, knocked out to come to life in the picture, you've gotta pub some clothes on her." His artistic senses in rebellion. Nicolosi draped his

> I asked Ava about this. She loughed. "Sure, it was a beautiful statue. That guy is a great sculptor."

After the Venus film, the studio kept her busy and at last Ava began to have more con-Adence, more authority about acting. With James Mason, she made "East Side, West Side." man' in 1950, a momentous year for Ava.

STORMY ROMANCE That year she met Frank Sinotra, and she left the USA for the first time.



transcontinental aintrips. to Mexico, Reno and Las Vegas, and many sessions of wrestling and orgument before it culminated in marriage

in Philadelphia on November 7, During the filming of "The Snows of Killmanjaro" I talked with Ava several times about

Frankle.

## "MY OLD MAN"

"My old man," was the way Ava affectionately referred to Sinatra, who was at the time on a concent tour.

"A lot of people don't understand him," she said then, "He's a great guy, terrific talent, but I admit he's quick-tempered." Sinatra was the target of the

gossip writers in September, 1951, when he went to work in. a Reno night club to make some money towards his forthcoming divorce from his first wife. A Hollywood columnist snipped: "Sinatra's carning while he's yearning!" and this bothered Ava at the time.

She stayed at nearby Lake Tahot and went over nightly to

I remember how, on the set of "Kilimanjaro," Ava discussed the gossip about Sinatra and. herself. "It's been rough," she said, "and hard to take, all this criticism about Frank and me. It's no use asking why people Six years ago Ava was begin- can't leave us alone, I've learned filming."

"It's much harder

thing I must say. I was never guy," said Ava, green eyes dancing with amusement.

waist slim like a palm free. ing. "I like bull-fighters, and they certainly take themselves seriously. I think it's because ducts Dutter-30.12.54, Eastern Amb.

other peoples for the first time, I think I stopped being a coun- Div. & Western Dist. Nsg. Div. try girl from Hollywood. "I loved Spain, Madrid, Barcelona, Seville, Tossa de Mar,

the Costa Brava. I love colour, and there's no blue in the world like the blue of the sea and and the sky on the coast of the Mediterranean. "I'll never forget my first

the people, the galety and the kindnesses to me, a stranger." Ava stretches, inngorously. "Spain! I love the country and I think I'd like to live there for a while,

wonderful people the British are. I had expected them to critical of Americans. were wonderful to me. I'll go wah resigned w.e.f. 17.12.54.; Sham-back to London and see the shulpo Nag. Div.: Amb/Sia's. Wong Ykn-yee, Sung Lei-ching & Liu Leicountry in my own good ilme. not on

Since then much has happened to Ava. Triumph with new roles which made her a signed w.e.f. 1.1.55. world star.....tragedy when her marriage to Frank Sinatra

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Ping-fan, C.St.J., Commissioner of St. John Ambulance Brigade, Hongkong District, Order No. 52/54. Dated December 30, 1954.

Football Duties.—1.1.53. 2.30 p.m., S.C.A.A. Ground; S.C.A.A. Amb. Div. 11.55. 2.30 p.m., Club Ground; Shaukiwan K.F. Amb. Div.; 11.55. 2.15 p.m., Boundary St. Ground; Mong Kok Amb. Div.; 2.1.56, 3.30 p.m., B.C.A.A. Ground; S.C.A.A. Amb. Div.

will still remain with your K.Y.M.C.A. Nag. Div.: 10.1.55. Street Sleepers Shelter Society my troubled silence cries Duces-Western Dist. January 1966: will pierce deeper within me." King's College Neg. Div. "It sounded much better in Dutles,—3.1.65.-4.1.55. Waterloo Neg. Spanish," Ava commented, smil. Div.; 5.1.65.-6.1.55. Shamshulpo Nag. Div.

12th Exhibition of Hongkong Proeverything they do is dramatic."

"Making 'Pandora' changed Div. & Manshuen Nag. Div.: 31.12.54.-1.1.55. Wanchat 'A' Amb. Div. & Manshuen Nag. Div.: 2.1.55.

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saw other countries and 3.1.55.-5.1.55. Wanchat 'B' Amb. Div. & Chung Sing Neg. Div.: 6.1.55.-7.1.55. Causeway Bay Amb. Taken On Strength.—(a) Enrol-ment—Aberdeen Amb. Div.: Pic. Leo Tak enrolled w.c.f. 20.12.54.; Manshuen Neg. Div.: Amb/Sie's, Teang Yuk-shim, Yu Fung-kam, Low Waifan, Lam Yuen-ping & Wong Walhan enrolled w.e.f. 21.12.54.

Decrease of Strength .- (a) Leave-Manshuen Neg. Div.: Amb/Bie, Choy Pui-yiu leave for 2 months w.e.f. 1.11.64; Waterloo Neg. Div.: Amb/ few days in Seville — a Sis. Wong Kam-har leave for 4 festival week — the singing, the Div.: Amb/Sis. Kwong Bick-kuon dancing, the food, the wines, leave for 5 months w.c.f. 1041.545 Amb/Sie. Tong Ol-kwan leave for 3 months w.o.f. 1.12.54.; (b) Resignation—8.C.A.A. Nsg. Div.: Amb/ Bls. Chu Yin-fun resigned w.o.f. 17.12.54.; Western Dist. Neg. Div. Amb/Sis, Poon Kit-ching resigned w.o.f. 17.12.54.; King's College Nsg. Div.: Amb/Sin's. Chung Mul-kan.
Loung Shuot-ching & Poon Chingshoung resigned w.o.f. 17.12.54.:
Shaukiwan K.F. Nsg. Div.: Amb/
Sis's Lsu Yuk-ching & Lee Yin-fong
resigned w.o.f. 17.12.54.: K.Y.M.C.A. Nag. Div.: Amb/Sia's. Hong Wai-hing, Fan Hel-ping &c Hung Kinshim resigned w.o.f. 17.12.54.; Un days off between Long Nag. Div.: Amb/Sis's Tang Yin-chi & Tang Lai-shoung resigned W.c.f. 17.12.54.; Manshuen Nsg. Div.: Amb/Sis. Chan Slu-ching resigned w.o.f. 23.13.64.; Wanchai "A"

> (Sgd.) F. I. Terung, C.St.J. Deputy Commissioner, District Headquarters.

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# No Uniforms For W. German Tin Soldiers

Nuernberg, Dec. 29. West Germany's toymakers say they missed out on a lot of pre-Christmas business because they were unable to turn out tin soldiers with authentic West. German uniforms, which are still to be decided on.

One manufacturer wrote to West Germany's "Shadow" Defence Ministry, headed by Herr Theodor Blank, caying, "Please let me have a few illustrations of the new German soldier's uniforms so I can satisfy the demands of my customers."

The manufacturers said that there had been no reply yet and that the toy exhibition scheduled for this spring may or may not be able to show the authentic tin soldiers.

## TRIED BUT FAILED

One producer tried but failed to corner the Christmas market by selling tin soldiers without insignia or medals.

Another produced replicas of soldiers of the occupation troops whose uniforms are known. He refused to say how sales were.

Once the new German uniforms are known "we expect a tin soldler boom which will mean employment for more workers in the toy industries,' one producer said. -- United

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# For M.Ps.

Dopenhagen, Dob 29 Denish caricaturists have been given a wonderful opportunity of militims local politicians by the discovery that some 4,000 headacht pills have been consumed in the Danish Parliament during the past year.

These headache pills are available at a small office near the debating chamber so that worried members can obtain a little relief before engaging in hearty debutes

Some politicians, who felt themselves insulted by this discovery maintain that the principal sufferers from headaches are the parliamentary officials and no the members.—China Mail Special.

# **FOREIGN LEGION ESCAPEES**

Singapore, Dec. 29. A Bolgian Foreign Legionnaire who walked 50 miles through a jungle to the Mekong River and crossed into Thalland is now on his way back to his hame in Belgium.

Martin Sysman, 25, who arrived here with another Belgian Legionnaire, Hendrik Rodts, 28, sald he trekked through the jungle for three days on a ration of cooked rice before reaching the banks of the Mekong. He found a small boat and rowed across the river and gave himself up to the Siamese authorities.

Rodts escaped from Halphong scandalous here. as a stowaway on board a ship to Bangkok with six other Turks criticise this attitude, German Legionnaires early in which they regard as over January this year. When the prudish. Others defend the law vessel called at Saigon the as being necessary to present seven stownways remained indecent behaviour in public. hidden below decks. They gave | For although public expression themselves up when the vessel of tender feelings may be formade the next stop at Bangkok. bidden, the visitor to Turkey is

in three years in the Foreign pervious to feminine charms. Legion, first in North Africa and then in Indo-China.—United | the big towns displays a selec-

By Lee Falk and Phil Davis

# Headache Pills Kissing In Public Offends Turkish Morals

Istanbul, Dec. 29. Turkish police have been investigating a complaint by an Istanbul taxi-driver, Hasan Eryuksel, that a couple who hired his cab recently had been kissing in the back seat.

If a charge is brought against them and they are found guilty, the accused are liable to a prison sentence of from one day to one month, and fines ranging from five to fifty Turkish pounds (from 12s. 6d. to about £7 sterling).

The public expression of affection is a criminal offence in Turkey. Strictly, a Turk who kisses his wife good-bye on a railway station can be charged with offending public morals. In fact, the police often turn a blind eye to such obviously harmless effusions.

wife seen kissing in the street the Moslem paradise. Many in Izmir were recently taken to book-shops carry huge stocks of a police station for questioning. American "girlie" magazines, They were released with a and the leading newspapers dewarning to restrain their ardour vote much space to beauty conuntil they reached home.

## CASE DISMISSED

There was some criticism of the law by Ankara newspapers a few weeks, ago when a Belgian girl and her Turkish sweetheart were taken to court on a charge of kissing and cuddling in the back row of a cinema. The judge dismissed the

As a result of the law's severe attitude, there are no lovers' lanes in Turkey. The embraces which pass unnoticed in London's parks or the Paris underground would be considered In private conversation some

presented with ample proof that Sysman and Rodts have put the Turks are far from im-Almost every news-stand in

tion of Turkish periodicals

Nevertheless, a man and his which are as full of houris at is tests and photographs of scantily-dressed film stars.

The American citizen whose photograph appears most often in Turkish newspapers is unquestionably Marilyn Monroe, with Jane Russell a close second.

Some foreigners in Turkey consider that the Turkish attitude to women still shows traces of the harem mentality, in spite of emancipation of women after the National Revolution. One French visitor said recently: "In Turkey you see few dogs and few women: because the Turks don't like dogs at all, and like women too much."

## FEW ALONE

It is unusual, even in Istanbul and Ankara, for a woman to go alone to a restaurant. Women in both towns are often recommended to take great care when driving alone in a taxi, especially in the evenings.

Reports of rape, abduction, and assaults on women are frequent in the newspapers. These, and other sex stories, are prominently displayed, and often contain more details than a Western European newspaper would print.

A short time ago, there were several reports of attacks on young girls or of bigambus "marriages" by imams, the moslem prayer-leaders. Indeed, the imam, prayer-beads in hand, pursuing someone young became one of the favourite targets of newspaper cartoonists. One cartoon showed an imam sitting with a girl on his knee while several members of his flock dragged off a protesting woman. The caption referred to an unprintable Turkish proverb which might be euphemistically rendered as "when the imam slips, the congregation falls."

Visitors to Istanbul are often impressed by the total absence of prostitutes on its streets. Public soliciting is not allowed in Turkey. But there is licensed prostitution.

# PEEP-HOLES

The tourist who wanders a hundred yards from the centre of the modern shoping district of Beyoglu may find himself in a crowded street consisting entirely of brothels, where jostling groups peer in at half-naked girls through grilled peepholes in the front doors.

This is the notorious Abanoz Its proximity to area much frequented by tourists is regarded by some. Istanbul residents as highly undesirable, and there have in the past been proposals to move the brothels to the suburbs. So far, however, nothing has come of them.—China Mail Special.

# All-Australian Wedding At The Abbey London, Dec. 29.

Miss Judith White youngest daughter of the Australian High Commissioner, in London, Sir. Thomas White, was married here today in the first all-Australian wodding in Westminster Abbey. The bride, 25, became the wife of Dr Geoffrey Harley of Mal-bourne. About 200 invited guests filled the small Chapel and hundreds of London housewives packed the payement outside the Abbey to see the bride.

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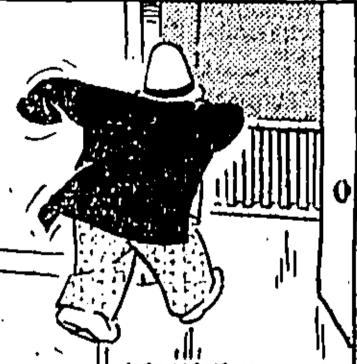
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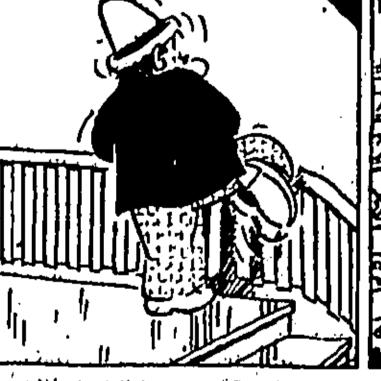
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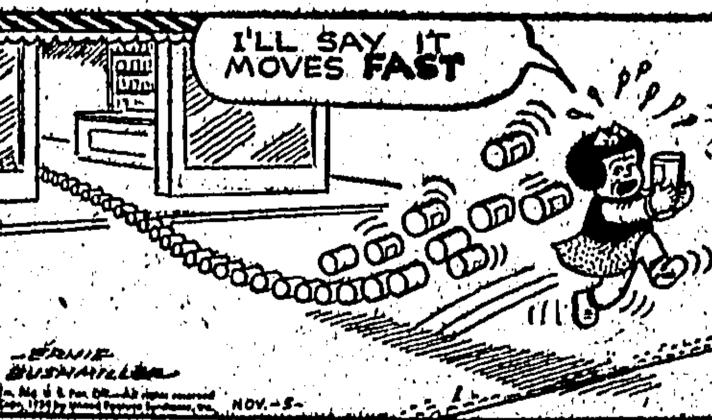
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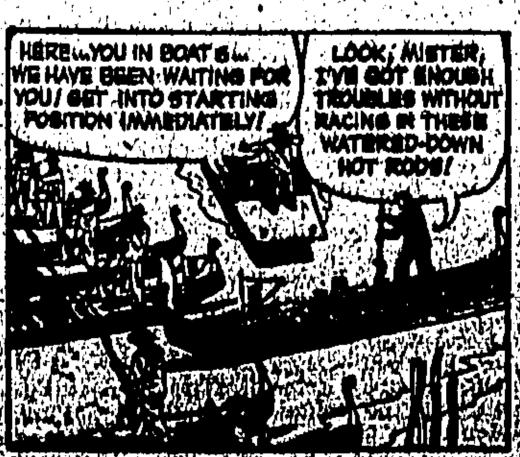


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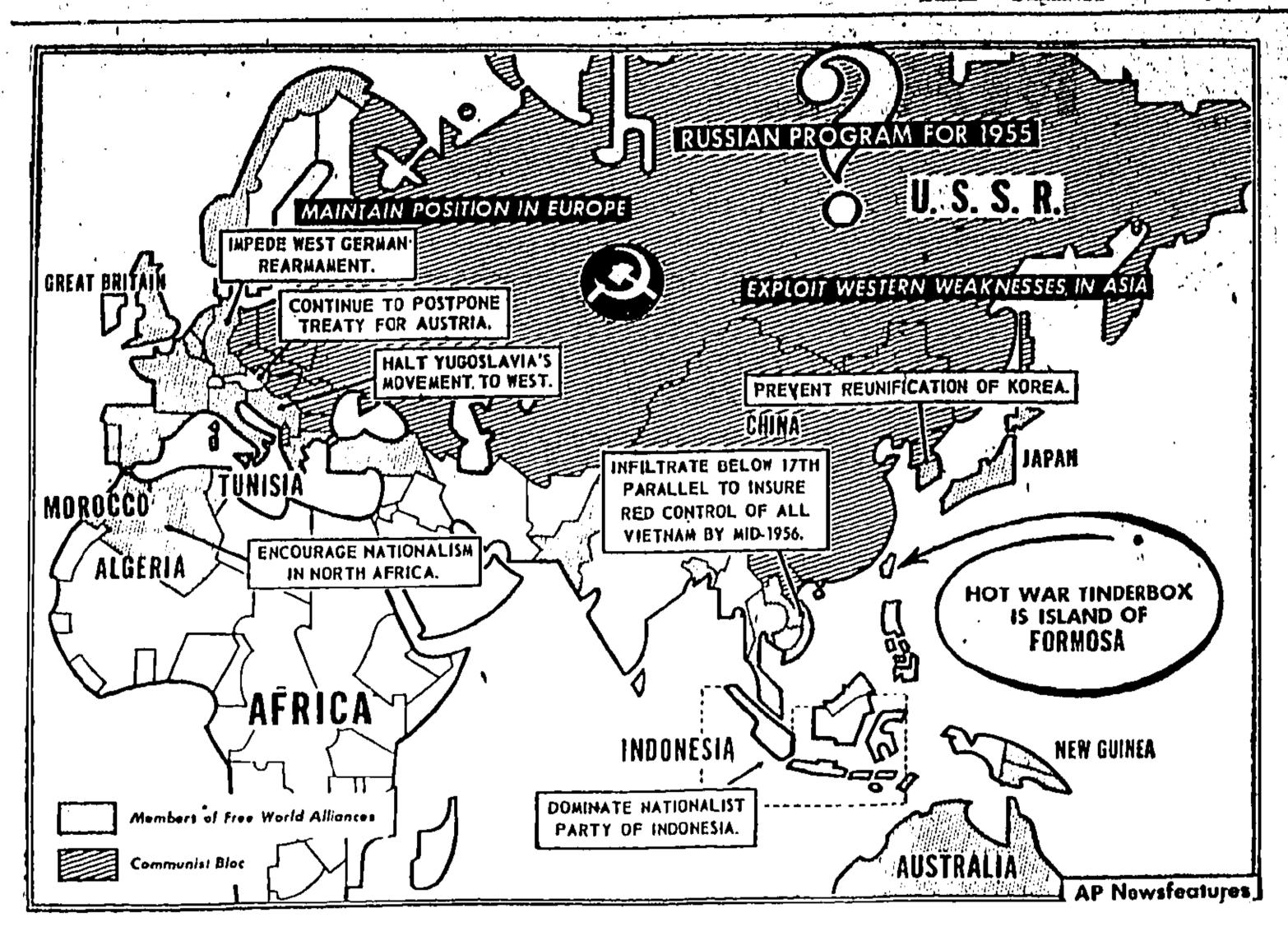
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# Russian Programme For 1955: Hold Line In Europe; Expand Influence In Asia

By WILLIAM L. RYAN Associated Press Foreign News Analyst

Prospect for 1955: No+ war and no peace.

Western statesmen, as 1954 draws to a close, appear resigned to the it still is unready to risk a war and more to the Communist side idea that the world must live for some time in a state of cold war.

The chances for the hot war - World War doubt the two principal antagonists in the global political con- to the Chinese Communists and the United States are worried about the possibility they stumble into the fight against their wills.

As the accompanying map shows, the Russian programme for the coming year will have two main directions and will be tailored to meet conditions have several purposes. in its two major fields.

In Europe, where there is no real revolutionary situation, the Communists must be satisfied with maintaining the status quo and attempting to neutralise the present allies of the United States. This would include campaigns to prevent the rearming of Western Germany, hints that the Chinese Comto prolong the stalemate on an | munists are for from satisfied Austrian peace treaty, to re- with the amount of military verse the movement of Yugo- and economic and forthcoming slavia to the West, and to in- from Moscow. crease unrest in North Africa.

will be aimed at exploiting nounced programme internatly every sign of weakness, relying is "all for the army." In order heavily on the propaganda to excuse this, a threat must theme of "colonialism" to turn exist. The threat is Formosa Asians away from co-operation and the Chinese Nationalists. with the West. The Communists The result is a harsh economic are sure to prevent the ce- policy of industrialisation reunification of Korea, to try to quiring even more beit-tightencomplete their infiltration in ing and austerity for the Indonesia, and to capitalise on Chinese people, even more exthe large gains they have al- port of their badly needed food ready achieved in Indo-China.

On the possible hot war front, the tinderbox is Formosa; The United States is committed to defend Chiang Kni-Nationalist fortress against Red invasion from the mainland, to protect the free world's rim of island

# An Atom War

War over Formosa would likely mean atomic world war Indo-China remains a prime cause the President's order because it would probably in- target, despite the Geneva con- "pretty well" took care of the volve strategic bombing to

Therefore war over Formosa and unmakes governments and mans to impede their participa-

In terms of internal economy, less than neutrality and in terms of atomic weapons with the Red world, and in terms of long-range

global political planning, the Soviet Union obviously is unready, even though it has been III - seem to have re- attempting to build at a furious Yet there is pace against such an eventual-

Thus the Soviet Union can be expected to apply a checkrein should they become too dangerously belligerent.

The words emanating from Peking on the Formosa issue have been quite belligerent and so have some Peking deeds, But will the Chinese themselves risk stumbling into the big war? It is doubtful for som: time to come.

What, then, have the Chinese been up to? The war-like talk and truculent gestures seem to

# The Purposes

The purposes may include:

I. To frighten the Soviet Union. There have been many

2. To excuse the internal In Asia the Communist drive | Chinese programme, in exchange for the sinews for industry.

> 3. To assert the Chinese claim to leadership in Asia and deliver as much indignity as possible to the United States short of the point where war bocomes a real risk.

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# Neutrality

weapon against the West Ger- and Turkey.

Unless they are neutral in the East-West ideological struggle, the Germans will be told, they can write off the dream of unification forever. Chances for a treaty

independence for Austria seem no brighter in view of Moscow's threats regarding Western European defence arrangements. Lines of communication with satellite nations through Austria continue to loom importantly for Moscow.

The wooing of Yugoslavia will be stepped up, also to produce a degree of neutralism Neutrality will be the keynote with the aim of breaking, or Russian manoguvres in severely straining an Important Europe, particularly in Ger- link in the Western chain of many. The lure of possible defences, the Balkan pact linkunification will be used as a ing the Yugoslavia with Greece

# Ike's Supporters For Repeal Of Buy American Act

Washington, Dec. 29. President Eisenhower and his pro- $\mathbf{of}$ supporters liberalised for gramme foreign trade will not fight for a modification or repeal the restrictive "Buy American" Act in the new session of Congress, officials said today.

The President has already modified the Act by an executive order and the administration's economic "advisers feel that it would - not be worth while to provoke a new storm in Congress by pressing for an i alteration or repeal of the Act.

DEPRESSION MOVE The "Buy American" Act, passing during the days of America's depression, required Government agencles huying supplies and awarding contracts to give preference to American industries if the prices were not more than 25 per cent above, those of foreign.

The President's executive order issued on December 17 lowers New York Foreign this margin required by law to The political war must con- between six and 10 per cent. drive for the Act's repeal, in the new session of Congress be-

the proposal would be repeated in the new Democrat-controlled session of Congress in January as part of the Administration's liberal trade and tariff policy. The dropping of this proposal could be regarded as a concession to the protectionists.

The President has already announced that he will ask Congress for a three-year extension of the tariff-cutting reciprocal trade agreements act with authority to lower import duties on certain items by 15 per cent below present levels. SAME PROPOSAL

This is the same proposal the President made earlier this year, when he was forced by protectionist pressure to accept an extension of only one year (to next June) without any power to make additional tariff

Daniel Reed, a Republican, who played a major role in blocking the proposal then, has already announced that he is ready to continue the fight next year.—Reuter.

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# TRADE AND COMMERCE SECTION

# ECONOMIC FORECAST

# Russians Will Aggravate Capitalist Nations To Stop. Commercial Development

By Warren Lee Pierson

The following forecast of world economic developments in 1955 was written for the United Press by Mr Warren Lee Pierson, President of the U.S. Council of the International Chamber of Commerce. The U.S. Council represents over 350 executives of leading American industries. Mr Pierson, Chairman of Trans World Airlines, has been active in the movement for a liberalised U.S. economy policy.

New York, Dec. 29. In American international relations the focal point of attention during the confing year will almost certainly rest on economic affairs.

Having arrived at a diplomatic and military impasse, the cold war between the coalition of free nations and the Communist autocracy will be fought, at least temporarily, on the economic front.

# **NEW YORK** STOCK MARKET

New York, Dec. 29. Sustained heavy demand for blue chips lifted industrial stocks through the 400-mark in their average with ease today.

enthusiastic was the buying, volume shot up to 4.430,000 shares—most apy session since Dec. 18, 1950 when munists are able to offer. 4,490,000 shares changed hands Reporting tickers ran late for most of the first hour of trading.

the final minutes. Industrials topped the 400mark with nearly two points to spare-closing at a new historic high of 401.97.

Contributing directly to this increase were issues such as General Motors, up 21/2 points. Bethlehem Steel, up 14, U.S. Steel, 1% higher, and National Steel, 11/2 higher and Allied Cliemical, up 11/4, Westinghouse Electric, up 1%, Du Pont, 1%

SHARPER GAINS Outside the average group there were even sharper individuel gains — ranging to 41/2 points in U.S. Machinery.

Rails set a record, too, climbing 0.87 to their best level since July 3, 1931. The market was one of the broadest on record, with 1,267 issues traded — 748 of these higher, 226 unchanged and 293

industrial groups work part in the rise with steels, nonderrous metals, aircrafts, some motors, oil, chemical, television stocks, building shares, and a host of specials featuring.

High-priced Amerada climbed more than 4 in the oils. Some stocks received ditional impetus in the form of good news. Carrier ran up 2¼ on good earnings. International Harvestor 1% on the company's plans for new products.

The New York Stock Exchange bond volume was \$5,700,000. The American Stock Exchange volume was 1,410,000 shares, DOW-JONES AVERAGES Dow-Jones closing averages

on Wall Street today were as follows: 30 Industrials 20 mils 65 stocks Comm. future price index 171.75 sheets for January 33 % and United Press. | 931/4 fint harts for January 35 %

## New York Sugar Market New York, Dec. 29.

World No. 4 sugar futures today closed 1 to 3 points higher with sales of 123 contracts,

Domestic No. 6 sugar futures closed 2 points higher to 1 point lower with sales of 147 contracts. The market was firm with Steadiness in world con-tracts reflected trade buying 15. Prices: on balance and steadiness in No. 1 Res spot ..... 28%-29

things. During 1955 the Soviet mount need of this alliance. leaders will strive with increasing pressure to aggravate leadership should take commercial interests that Lenin Eisenhower in his message to predicted would prevent capital- Congress last April. ist nations from forming an of the recommendations offered effective alliance to oppose the then have since been adopted, spread of Communism.

On the other hand, it is plished. equally certain that the nations of the free world will undertake to answer the Communist

Partisans of economic freedom and international co-operation in every nation, are convinced that, given the opportunity, their creed can compete si cessfully with whatever the Com-

## THE OPPORTUNITY

The greatest question of 1955 Briefly after noon and again in is whether or not they will have that opportunity. Fortunately, considerable progress has already been made in

this direction. The past year saw the economic strength \_\_o individual members of the non-Communist alliance greatly strengthened. Quotas, exchange restrictions, and other barriers to world trade have been lessened and this trend seems

# World Rubber Markets

Singapore, Dec. 29. The rubber market opened slightly lower on disappointing overseas advices but later prices advanced sharply in speculative buying with sellers very reserved. There was, little profit taking towards the close. Future

No. 1 rubber per 15, Jan. 98%-97% Mar.' unquoted No. 2 rubber per lb. Jan. 90%-90% Spot rubber unbaled ... 96%-96% No. 1 pale crepe ..... 10015-10115

# NEW YORK

Futures today closed 105 to 115 points higher with sales of 192 contracts.

Speculative buying and covering by dealers sent prices skyrocketing to seasonal highs. Strength of Lindon-Singapore markets generated the main buying power.

In the spot market, dealers 401.97 estimated sales between 700 and 148.23 800 tons. Reported transactions 61.78 included three sheets for 100.09 January at 3314 cents: four 3314; flat bark for January delivery 27% cents; one sheets for February at 33%, cents and three sheets for March at 32% cents a pound. Spot No. 1 Rss shrets moved

> up to 331/2 cents a pound, nom. Futuro closings:

Only in the broadest terms likely to be accelerated. Howis it possible to forecast present ever, effective leadershipday trends into predictions; which only the United States however, we can be sure of two can provide-remains the para-The direction which that the frictions and conflictions of clearly charted by President

> but much remains to be accom-Although the effect of requested legislation on the domestic economy is still dispute, there is growing evidence that those who believe that a liberal trade policy will be beneficial to American industries in the long run outnumbered those who fear any relaxation of restrictions against imports.

## IMPORTANT MARKS

It is this factor, more than any other, which I believe will produce bipartisan legislation establishing our trade policy on a liberal and stable course. The three important benchmarks in the creation of such a policy are the Japanese trade treaty, the extension of the Trade Agreement Act, and formal United States adherence to a revised general agreement tariffs and trade. Unfortunately, these measures all have political ramifications apart from their. economic consequences. Each will encounter strong opposition, but the increasing realisation of World Cotton

their critical importance to the international economy will, believe, ensure final approval. I am even more confident that efforts to repeal the Buy American Act, to clarify the escape clause, and to establish a simple, fair method customs evaluation will cause existing anarchronisms in our ings. trade practice to be corrected.

# IMPORTANT ELEMENT

An important element in the American leadership in /1955 l'is in the creation of a consutent economic bolicy towards the under-developed nations of the world.

The intensified efforts of the Soviet leaders to capture vast populations and exploit the material resources of Asia imparts an urgency to the need of improving productivity and raising living standards of the

The problem of United States issistance in accelerating economic development. limited to obviously urgent needs of that per lb. were as follows: area, we cannot neglect our Dec./Jan. interests in our Latin American May/June

signs that the flow, of private include: investments to these nations American middling 15/10th inch 32.99 will grow as they provide more American S.L. midding ..... 29,89 will grow as they provide more Mexican midding 1-1/32nd ... 34,57 favourable conditions for foreign Others were unchanged. capital, there is no doubt that a conservative programme of uld America and the Far East will as follows: economic development which Mar.
private enterprise under proper Juty conditions can sustain and Oct

action most consistent with our action most consistent with our economic and political interests was 34.23 cents. Sales at these we should dorthrightly apply the lessons learned from the KARACHI operations of the Marshall Plan; The market went into higher cooperations of the Marshall Plan; and devise procedures that recognise the nature of our objectives, the limitation of our resources and the necessity for co-operation by all friendly nations.

Summarising the prospects for international trade for international trade for necessary necessary the development of galps made in recent years and their development in practice. It will be a year when, barring outright must was done in the least recent years not bearing outright.

on belance and steadiness in the raw market. Conversely the low raw market weighed on the domestic contract. All parts of the contract of the domestic contract. The market of the sea point of the property of the low raw market weighed on the domestic contract. The market of these points of the property of the contract of the contrac

# NETHERLANDS STATE LOAN

Amsterdam, Dec. 29.
The Netherlands is issuing a 314 per cent state loan to consolidate the floating debt and finance redemption of the foreign debt, according to a pro-spectus released at the Hague. The loan, to be issued at par, will run for 40 years. No definite amount has been fixed for the loan - China Mail Special.

# HONGKONG **STOCK** EXCHANGE

(From Our Correspondent)

Business done on the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning amounted to \$898,300.70. Noon quotations and the morning's SHARES BUYERS SELLERS SALES

HK Bank ... 1980 2000 INSURANCES Union .... 90734 91234 19 65 910 Underwriters Dig

K. Wharf ... 84 85 100 60 84 Provident (O) 15,70 18.90 1500 60 18.80 Wheelock ... 7.10 7.15 3500 60 8.95

Humphreys 25
Realty 2.07% 2.12%
UTILITIES 1000 6 21.80 Star Ferry ... C. Light (O) 10.30 18.50 80 @ 18.20

1500 fo 18.30 3000 fo 18.40 C. Light (N) 15.20 15.50 500 fo 15.20 Electric ... 39 14 40 100 fo 39 1500 fo 39 14 1380 46 3915 Macao Elec . 1234 12.90 Telephone . 3234 1390 (r. 3235 500 (r. 3235 700 (r. 33 INDUSTRIALS

Cement .... 4014 4034 2000 or 4014 3000 @ 24.70 2100 40 24.80 Watson (N) COTTONS

Textile Corp. 8.70 6.85 1000 @ 6.80 Miscellaneous Yangt#ze ... 5.95 Allied ....

Markets New York, Dec. 29. Holiday-minded cotton traders

today watched prices settle back slightly in continued quiet deal-NEW YORK Prices of futures closed today \_...... 35.10n 34.76 35.01 ····· 35,16.

NEW ORLEANS Prices of futures closed today Spot ............... 34.05 Mar. 34.74 May 35.03 July 35.17 Oct. 35.18-19

May LIVERPOOL Cotton closings. American Asia: for notwithstanding the middling 15/16 inch, in pence While there are encouraging Oct./Nov. Official values for spot cottons

> SAO PAULO Colton futures closing prices,

to nations in both Latin in cruzeiros per kilogram were lend a momentum to their Jan ..... unquoted

enlarge.

If this proves the course of In the United States, the

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# SURPRISED INVITATION CONFERENCE AFRO-ASIAN

London, Dec. 29.

The Colombo Powers' bid for a 30-nation African-Asian conference caused some concern and annoyance in Whitehall tonight.

Diplomets and officials voiced. One diplomatisald that Israel's | But authoritative sources in surprise at the invitation list inclusion is "understandable" London were surprised that the is ned today at Bogor, Indonesia. because of Arab opposition—to Bogor—conference—invitations Among the Afro-Asian nations conferences including her. not invited were South Africa. An authoritative British one of the countries with and Israel, Communist China source add that South Africa Independent governments." was included-but not North was the "most curlous" omission Korea.

The Foreign Office declined official comment pending the recelot of an official version of the communique issued Prime Ministers of India, Pakistan, Burma, Ceylon and Indonesia.

## PLENTY OF ANNOYANCE

more than one Government for strong ties between the tions. department."

here said, "As represented by elections for a Constituent itself" to Britain, one British the communique—the proposed conference appears unwieldy and valueless. It has been altogether to 30 countries. Why not have the Egypt," the source said. United Nations?

Observers said Britain would of South Africa, one of Africa's protectorate. biggest Powers, and Israel.

Washington, Dec. 30.

Asked for United States reac-

American comment is unlikely

ference would depend very much

MOST SIGNIFICANT

experts on Asian affairs said;

"If all invitations are accepted

it will make the Afro-Asing

conference easily the most

significant regional meeting in

Asian history. We are neither

decision to invite China and

chance to get a goody-made alism.

platform from which to pro-

pagate the Communist faith

Minister, Mr lehiro Hatoyama,

Mamoru Shigemitsul, had com-

initted themselves in public

declarations so far to the

policy of increasing co-

operation with all

nations- that refusal

mean a major abjut-face.

THIRD BLOC UNLIKELY

the non-Communist nations.

none of the Western Powers."

cept the invitations.

dictions was that:

One of the State Departmend's

to be invited.

ference.

berations in Asia.

meeting will be.

to attende

Asian conference.

is curbus how an Afro-Asian Vietnem, so why net the two conference can be called with- Korens?," one source asked. out including the South African. The source also said it was Union," the source said. But one authoritative source among the "independent coun- State was equal in independent

Sudan and Zalro,

**SUDAN ELECTION** 

Assembly mext year and not source said, until 1956 can that Assembly

Arab Yemen's inclusion also caused misgivings among officlais who have spent years exclusion of Israel said that be concorned because of invita- febring off the kingdom's Pakistan's Premier, Mr Motions to dependencies of Com- charges of British imperialism hammed All, went to Bogor monwealth members. They ex- in the neighbouring Aden pro- after conferring informally with pressed surprise at the omission tectorate. Yemen claims this representatives of the Middle

Communist China's invita- They said it was possible that The Boger communique speci- tion was no surprise here Mr Mohammed Ali indicated to fled, these observers pointed out, although Ceylon had been ex- his colleagues at Bogor the Arab that "all countries with in- pected to block China's at- nations would reconsider an dependent governments" were lendance at least for the pre- carlier willingness to attend the

Washington's Keen Interest

Official Washington's Interest could be counted upon to raise Australia and again claim the

INTENTIONS WELCOMED

Preoccupied though United

At first glance of the Djakarta

more likely to further than

retard efforts for world peace.

Officials welcomed the inten-

mutual economic, social and

cultural problems as a means of

and distribution of produce-

The only foreboding felt in

terest to Asian and African

affecting national sovereignty.

PLATFORM FOR ATTACK

Afro-Asian conference

in both Asia and Africa.

But official People's China.

until after we see what the out- States officials were today with

come of the April Afro-Asian the Paris decision on rearma-

representatives of other nations | Powers conference for considera-

upon the nations which decided communique it seemed to

surprised nor dismayed by the long one of the biggest problems

It was believed in diploma ic Washington was in respect of

Reasoning behind these pre- peoples, for example problems

1. China would leap at the and of rucialism and coloni-

quarters here that both Japan the announced purpose "to con-

and China probably would ac- sider problems of special in-

Aslan

that the character of the con- the Secretary of State.

did not include North Korea as WHY NOT BOTH?

"In all such conferences, from the Colombo Powers' invitation to the projected Afron notably the Geneva conference, North Korea and South Korea "Obviously the omission is attended as independent governdue to Indian ojections to ments. The Bogor invitations South An ea's included but it included North and South

curious that Nigeria was not in-He sold inclusion of the Sudan cluded because the West African said, "The decision is sure to tries" might be seen as a blow Mutus to the Gold Coast which eause plenty of annoyance in to Egypt which has campaigned was included among the invita-

The bid to the Gold Coast. Central African Federation and A veteran diplomat stationed | "The Sudan Is due to have the Sudan "would not command

He pointed out that the Gold decide whether the Sudan is to Coast, although self-governing. be independent or united with had not achieved the status of a Dominion.

> THEORY ON ISRAEL Observers commenting on the Eastern Arab nations.

conference alongside Israel.

## SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Wake up, son! I just want to say good morning to you once while you're home from school for the holidays!"

# Our Australian Newsletter

# PRE-CHRISTMAS RUSH WAS BEDLAM

From J. King Wood

Sydney. Well, by the time you read this no doubt all will be calm again, but at the moment Sydney is

resembling nothing so much as bedlam. The city is traffic-logged, people-bound and store-choked. We have had the misfortune to battle through quite n number of Sydney Christmasses but cannot recall crowds like this before.

every intersection trying to is the first evidence to the outweight of numbers is beating take shape.

It has been a grand old spendsome sorry cheque books when is all over. It is rather interesting to note, race.

too, that retail hire purchase. agreements with finance com-! panies in Australia at the end of September came to the rather staggering total of £\$142,706,000 -a rise of 9 per cent over the amount financed at June 30. No figures are yet available for the present quarter, but it is a safe bot that there is a further

"England's Procession of

everybody is friendly enough.

ed uncanscious by a bumber.

find, 22 able-bodied men.

Generally speaking, it is a

Last

Blunder |

Shame": "Wardell's.

Cost England Dear":

lla's Grim Stand."

casualty list:---

THE TEST MATCH At the moment we have a Test match on our hands and sometimes we have to remember that, after all, it is only cricket. Over the last few days bought in pub bars for about these are some of the headlines 215. that have told the story-

increase.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 30 By Air Philippines, North Borneo, 8 p.m. By Surface Korea, 3 p.m.

Macao, 6 p.m. FIIIDAY, DECEMBER 31 Philippines, 9 a.m.

Fears were expressed that this among Asidas and Africans; item might well develop into a Britain, 9 a.m. platform for an attack on Hawall, U.S.A., 11 a.m. Japan's new Prime Western nations. Indo-China, 11 a.m. For instance, it was expected

and the Foreign Min'ster, Mr that Indonesia would almost

# Rangoon, Dec. 29.

Police here are searching an Indian toolie who, Both American and Common- after cutting off his wife's left wealth diplomats said the arm and right leg, left pinote Colombo Powers meeting had saying he was going to do the caused them to lean more to the same to the man , who had view that Asia was entering a alienated her affections. of "competitive co- The wife is in hospital and Kadio Hongkong. existence" between China and likely to recover, but neither her husband nor her lover can It was for this reason that the be found.—Reuter.

in the Colombo Premiers' meet- blunt opposition if the meeting right to move into West New in Dakarta quickened attempted to favour the Com- Guinea. markedly today at the decision munists — economically, mili- | The method which the Colomto invite Japan and People's farily or politically—at the ex- bo Premiers used to select

the Philippines and Pakistan, | certainly renew her attack on

China to the Afro-Asian con- pense of the non-Communist nations for invitation to the Afro-Asian conference caused rome puzzlement here. It was tion Mr Lincoln White, a State | This thesis was based on the noted that the Gold Coast was Department spokesman, said: impentant proviso that these invited but Nigeria, which had "We shall pay the closest at- nations would agree in fact to virtually the same constitutional tention to all the coming deli- sit at a conference table with ties to Great Britain, was not .---

ment, a number of them were That also was the view of collecting data on the Colombo The latest times of posting shows below are those for unhere. The general attitude was tion by Mr John Foster Dulles, registered correspondence posted at G.P.O. Hongkong. The latest posting times elsewhere which, in general, are earlier than the G.P.O. times can be ascertained officials that the purposes of the by enquiry at the local office. The latest posting times for registered articles are generally one hour earlier than the times shown below. Particulars regarding parcel mails can be excertained by enquiry at any post office. filon of the group to consider NEW YEAR ARRANGEMENTS On Saturday, January 1, 1955. the post offices at Victoria, stimulating intra-area markets

Kowloon Central and Sheung Wan will, be sopen for public business from 9 s.m. to Noon. There will be one general delivery commencing at 10 a.m. and one collection from all pillar boxes.

Thailand, Burma, India, Pakistan, Faypt, Switzerland, France & Great

Formosa, Okinawa, Japan Korea, 2 p.m. Japan, U.S.A., Canada, 6 p.m.

Malaya, Indonceia, Australia, New Zealand, Caylon, 6 p.m. By Surface China, People's Republic, 8.30 a.m. Mainya, Indonesia, Noon. N. Borneo, 1 p.m. Formom, 1 p.m.

Indo-China, France, 2 p.m. Birma, Indla, 5 p.m. Soychelles, Br. Bast Africa, (N. &c. Rhodesia & Mozambique P/P via Beira), 5 p.m. Macao, 8 p.m.

the non-Community maintain the properties of recovery, but neither in the properties of the recovery that the properties of the properties

Mounted police are on duty at 1 £ 126-million Snowy Scheme and people from crossing side world that work on the the traffic, but the Snowy is really beginning to

THE DAVIS CUP When we are not worrying ing spree and there will be about the Test war we can turn our thoughts to the Davis Cup or to the Sydney-Hobart yacht

Experts say that the Davis Cup is the most open for years with Austfalia's chances pinned quite a lot on the none-too-broad shoulders of Hoad/ Whether or not Hoad strikes

form seems to be the answer to the riddle, but whichever way he goes, he is going to have plenty of barrackers for record 'crowd' of 25,878 will watch each day's playing, paying £170,000 for it. Tickets are scarcer than Christmas bottled beer in Sydney but they can be

Lack of stands, of course, prevent more people from secing the play, and so we look like being in the Cup picture "Austra- log some, years to come, maybe the Lawn Tennis Association We understand, however, that of Australia could give some thought to erecting a tennis Not that cricket is not with stadium in keeping, with one out its risks for the boys have of the leading tennis countries

had a tough time of it this rea- in the world. son. Have a look at the THE PETROV CASE The Petrov Royal Commis-Compton, metacarpal frac-ision has adjourned until someture of the little finger, left time in the middle of Jenuary, hand; Evans, high temperature ... Progress report: Number of and headaches: Gravency, in- sitting days, 80; witnesses callfluenza; Hill, torn muscle in ed, 50; Ethibits, 258; Words right shoulder; Johnson, pulled spoken and taken downthigh muscle; Lindwall, gastric about two million.

influenza; McConnon, groin in- Indications are that to for we jury; Miller, fluid on right knee; are only on the fringe of the and the other day, Tyron, knotk- hearing. AUSTRALIAN WINES

While it is realised that we wonder they have been able to have a reputation as a country of beer drinkers we certainly FOR THE LAMPS OF N.S.W. | don'b give our wines the sup-The New South Wales elec- port they deserve. Oversees extricity system was linked to the perts time and again have Snowy Mountains hydro-electric praised their quality and comsystem last week when a now pared them very favourably ment court of inquiry, called to good way to end Christmas, and 182,000-velt transmission line with the wines of France.

# SOME TRICKY QUESTIONS FOR U.K. DOCTORS London, Dec. 29.

British doctors should reconsider their code of professional secrecy "in the light of modern social structure and opinion," according to a Derby general practitioner.

Dr E. C. Dawson, writing in he latest issue of the British Medical Journal, made the suggestion after a survey of cases in which o person's "duty as a doctor is in direct conflict with his, duty, as a citizen." FOUR CASES

Dr Dawson cited four 'cases pointing the chiemma. An engine-driver who drives

a mainline passenger train is found to have epilepsy but refuses to allow his doctor to undergone a criminal abortion and discovers the abortionist's identity but is for-

it to the police. A man claims industrial injury compensation for

stolen. Should be report it that frigid atmosphere. to the police?

THE RESULT on the four cases submitted to expected by the University. doctors and laymen, indicates of professional secrecy.

"There is about equal division at a, b, and c. of fraud constitutes a justifiable pantomime. Cigarettes reason."—China Mail Special.

# SATELLITES WOO YUGOSLAVIA

Belgrade, Dec. 29. The Premiers of Hungary and Rumania tonight gave Chancellor was nowhere menced to recite the works of statements to the Yugoslav around, and we saw some bits Robert Burns." Press - for the first time of clowning that must have in six years — expressing made the hair on the scademic name, he threw back his head hoods stand on end. friendship for Yugoslavia.

Yugopress news agency, opposed the Senate sitting in solemn state the rearmament of West Ger- while some foreign dignitary many and spoke of the similarity walks up to receive an Ph.D. in the interests of the three hon. After a brilliant speech he countries.

Until today no East European ment, but wait and sco if a string head of Government had given of sausages doesn't dall out of it. an interview to the Yugoslay New returning to the panpress since : Yugoslavia broke tomime itself; there is no gelting with the Cominform in 1948. away from the fact that the Staff The Hungarian Prime Mini- at one cime and enother have ster. Irme Nagy, said German been considerable pantomime rearmament would increase the goers. They have stolen all the danger of war and added that plums and put them in their own "in this most important question pudding. of defending peace and peaceful. We always expect the Dames co-existence, the interests of ...

and Hungary, are identical". STRONG RESISTANCE ian Premier, said the peoples of Europe were offering increasingly strong resistance to more were supporting the idea of peaceful co-existence:

Yugopresa also published New scenes of considerable charm. Year statements from Chan- The children who played the said the magistrate, "It is very cellor Julius, Raab of Austria, mice with exquisite delight were noble of you. You seem to have Adnan Menderes. Turkish Prime Minister, and ful fairy. And the pumpkin that others." Field-Marshal Alexander Papa- becomes a coach, silver and gos. Prime Minister of Greece. Reuter and the second s

# Rail Dispute To Get Public Hearing

London, Dec. 29. . Union and management representatives agreed today that the proceedings of a Govern-

# A Good, Way To End YOUR Christmas!

inform the railway authorities. Pantomime wondering who A doctor finds a woman has was pulling whose leg. For weeks we knew the University a fine, leonine head that gave Staff had been preparing him the look of an actor or a bidden by the patient to reveal Cinderella, but when we made poet, though he was in fact a enquiries, we were kind of put named Donald, whose afternoon off in cultured tones and off it was.

rupture his doctors know he academic phrases to expect did not sustain at work. Is very little, and it was a little the doctor to reveal the bit of fun for the children. They kept this up to the last

A doctor notices jewellery moment, Even the ladles arin the house of a patient rayed in formal gowns who which he knows has been distributed programmes, kept up When one asked, much?" the reply was that no

The result of a questionnaire pecuniary reimbursement was When shown to your seat in that danger to life constitutes a the hall, and asking where it justifiable reason for a breach was situated, you were asked to say to another man: "I'm still imagine a triangle with points

of opinion, in the case of the As we wasted for the curfelony of unlawful abortion tain to go up, there was quite He took Donald's arm. "I'm, while a minority considers that a solemn atmosphere, and we arresting you for begging," he the prevention or punishment knew we should never see a said. pipes surreptitiously stubbed. knocked out and even the children stopped ollipops

> Then the curtain went up and we saw an Ancient Villager | six-pences and five pennics," and an Aristocrat in reduced circumstances, certainly inot Baron Hardup

The fact that the latter bore a strong resemblance to one

I am sure the hall will never The statements reported by be the same egain. I can imagine will be presented with a parch-

and there they are, as big as life, the two neighbours; Yugoslavia clowning away as if it were part of their everyday life, with some business, especially preparing for George Georgiu-Dej, Ruman- the party, which had the audience rolling in the histes.

One interpolated scene, Operation Paniomime, and I'm not "the re-establishment of Ger- going to tell you what it was, man militarism" and more and literally had the audience ecreaming with laughter.

On the other hand, there were the changed into horses by a beauti- beggared yourself; in helping | magic in clear moonlight The children in the audience trate's perception.

knew all about this; they were not half-hearted in their loyalty. 6643/ELL, you'd better be off They were for Cinderella to the b. W back to your work of once, last Tot. Of course, the Demon | before they start naking where King as nosty a bit of work as you are likely to see, held them in suspense until the last moment, but as usual, virtue is rewarded, goodness, triumphs, and all ends well.

Quite periously, it was a protected ... Courts for couper

# JOHN CLARKE'S CASEBOOK

# Poetry In The Park

THE orators at Speakers' Corner were in full voice, peddling dreams, ideas. revolutions-Utopias

About the kitchen-chairs and step-ladders that served as restrums edified a docile crowd, who looked to be waiting less-One came away from this for Utopia than for opening-

time. Slowly, among the shifting crowd, moved a lean man with kitchen-porter by trade—a Scot,

In Donald's wake, a yard or two behind, strolled a policeman in plain-clothes. The policeman's attention had been drawn to Donald by the way he stopped every so often, on his erratic course, and spoke to apparent strangers.

'CAN YOU HELP?' NE such gave Donald a cigarette. The policeman moved closer. The next time Donald stopped he was within carshot and heard the Scotsman hungry; can you help me?" The stranger shook his head;

the policeman moved closer still. At Marlborough Street next morning Donald pleaded not guilty to the charge, and the

sucking policeman—also a Scot—told his story to Mr Paul Bennett, VC. "Upon this man, when he was scarched." he said with a nod towards Donald, "were three "Any questions?" the magistrate asked Donald.

THE RECITAL 66'NTO," he answered, "but "I I wish to say of England's leading literary entered Hyde Park at approximfigures was purely coincidental. ately 3.30 or: 3.35 p.m. There, Then - someone must have I took off my coat, rolled it up, given the wire that the Vice- placed it by my feet, and com-

> And speaking the great man's as if he was going to resume his reclintion from the dock. Instead, he eald, coousingly:

> "I was hardly started when the officer in question approached me. I was detained all through the night—and here I am." "It sounds like an opposition meeting you were starting," said

the magistrate, and called for his probation officer. Mr Charles Morgan. "Do you know this man?" he asked.: " FOR THE NEEDY 66117E/VE known him for a VV "number of years," said

Mr Morgan. "He is working new, end his pay is £4 19s. 3d. a week, plus his food when he is on duty." "Had he spent his wages. then, that he had so little on

Donald decided that he was the best person to answer that. "Sirrr," he said, "If I see people in need. In want of food, or a bed, or a drink, I give it to them. That is where my money goes." "Well, 'if that's accurato."

Donald bowed theatrically in acknowledgment of the magis-

BACK TO WORK you are." Mr Bennett said. "I

shall discharge you absolutely." Donald' bowed again. He swept away and, as he went his lips were moving. Pothaba ha was reciting Burns, who conce wrote: "A fig for those by law